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THE AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL

Goes to St. Louis—Educational Rally in Kentucky—Minister Powell's Job no "Cinch" and Other Points Recited in Sharps and Flats.

By Our Special Correspondent.

This is the season of giving. It requires but a slight stretch of the philosophical vein within us to realize that "it is more blessed to give than to receive." There is the keenest happiness in making others happy, and the glint of joy that flashes toward us from the eye of the grateful recipient of our bounty more than repays the little exertion that the gift represents. Giving broadens the mind; it enlargens the soul; it generates warmth in the heart; it deepens our sympathy; it enables the whole man. Verily, the Christmas or the New Year's token blesses him who gives in greater measurer than him who takes, for which the former obligation ceases; with the latter a moral debt has been contracted. So, let us in this festal hour give as freely, cheerfully and bounteously as our means will allow. Give, if only a simple offering, for it is the spirit prompting the giver that hallows and consecrates the gift.

To whom shall we give? There's father, mother, sister, brother and all within thy gates—the man-servant and the maid-servant, as well. There's sweetheart, precious one—there is nothing good enough for her! There's the postman, who has brought you so many messages of gladness throughout the year; the newsboy, the grocer's winged mercury, the milkman and—don't forget that extraordinary genius, the ash man. There is the preacher, the teacher, the family physician and the ever useful lawyer—can't you find reasons for remembering the timely labors of each of these? The editor, who has told the world of your "greatness"—he's in it too. And the street car conductor, who has laughed at your awful jokes, the barber, the mixologist and the porter at the club, and the expectant "regular" of ancient origin who "gets his" through the generosity of liberal friends. Last, but not least, there is the poor, whom we have always with us. Perhaps, when all is said and done, you may have enough left to treat yourself to a tomato toner—but don't forget to catch the sunshine that follows in the wake of giving!

The sub committee of the National Afro-American Council has decided that the next meeting of the general body of the Council shall be held in St. Louis, beginning Tuesday, September 4, 1904. A committee of five was designated to present an argument before the platform committee of the Republican National Convention urging that a vigorous position be taken by the party looking to a rectification of the malignant suffrage abuses known to exist in certain states of the Union. A resolution was adopted requesting that the Senate take speedy and favorable action on the nomination of Dr. W. D. Crum, whose confirmation for collector of the port of Charleston, S. C., has been hanging fire for several months. Resolutions were also unanimously adopted deprecating the unrepublican principle which had been inaugurated in certain states of drawing the color line within the Republican party, and it was felt that the proposed plan of reducing Southern representation in the Republican National Convention would be unjust to the loyal men who were risking the fortunes and very lives by their open support of the policies of the party. The plank with reference to President Roosevelt is in agreement with the sentiments of every right-thinking Negro in the country, and the Council in passing it amid great enthusiasm commends itself to the warmest endorsement the race can give. The declaration is as follows:

"We take this opportunity to express our gratitude to President Roosevelt for daring at all times to stand up for impartial justice and the manhood rights guaranteed by the Consitution and the law based thereon. We have never asked special consideration in any matters affecting the common rights of citizens, and sincerely believe that he has not sought to give us such. He has treated us just like other citizens, and we have never asked for more and will not be satisfied with less. By announcing that he would not submit to the closing of the door of hope to us, he played the whole gamut of principles for which the nation stand, and for which its founders dedicated their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor."

As was expected by every body, the office of national organizer, to which Lawyer James H. Hayes was elected at Louisville in July, was delared vacant. The position was most acceptably filled by the election of Lawyer A. B. Casey, of New Jersey. Judge Robert H. Terrell was appointed councellor for the District of Columbia. The committee called upon President Roosevelt at the White House and an exceedingly pleasant visit was enjoyed. The attendance at the Washington session was representative of the best purposes of the Council and the deliberations were presided over by Bishop Alexander Walters, chairman of the national executive committee. The selection of St. Louis is eminently satisfactory, as everyone will want to see the World's Fair, as well as to consider racial affairs, and the Missouri people have promised that the hall shall be furnished free of cost and guaranteed reasonable rates for personal accommodation. The later date takes the meeting out of conflict with other bodies announced for the early months of the summer, and "dove-tails" very nicely with the arrangements many wish to make to attend the Council and view the exposition immediately following the convention of the National Negro Business League at Indianapolis in August.

The long-advertised convention of the National Negro Suffrage Association was pulled off in Washington on the 14th and 15th. Its proceedings—or shall we call them "carrings on"—disappointed no one. It met, wrangled, wrangled some more, split in twains, resoluted in severalty and adjourned—somehow. Further the deponnet saith not. What's the use?

The most important educational meeting held by the race this year will be the Kentucky State Teacher's Association, which gathers in Louisville Monday, the 28th. The one hundred and twelve teachers of the public schools are planning to out do themselves in providing the proverbical Southern hospitality, and have provided a program that will satisfy the most exacting visitor, be he or she in search of intellectual food or the divine conceptions of the culinary art. Prof. A. E. Meyzeek, president of the local Teacher's Institute; Prof. W. H. Perry, chairman of the executive committee; Prof. F. S. Delaney, in charge of school exhibits; Miss M. S. Brown, chairman of bonquet committee; Miss L. M. Gibson, chairman on music; and Misses S. B. Alexander, Lucy Flint and Florence S. Gibson, on homes and public comfort are all vieing with one another in the work of making the meeting a magnificent exhibit of the educational resources of the great Middle West—God's own country. Among the distinguished lecturers from abroad will be Prof. Kelley Miller, Howard University, Washington, D. C.; Prof. G. W. Carver, Tuskegee Institute; Prof. Reuben Post Halleck and Prof. L. V. Dodge, of Berea College. A large attendance is certain.

When a colored man or woman gives a dollar to a Negro institution in the South the school gets $2 00, the General Education Board agreeing to thus cover every dollar thus contributed with another dollar from its fund, as a means of encouraging our people to make a few slight sacrifices to promote education of their children. Dr. T. N. Harris, of Mobile, Ala., bore this in mind recently, when he sent to Tuskegee Institute a check for $50, to be used for the benefit of the hospital. He is a graduate of the school, class '89, and through his commendable sense of personal gratitude and race pride Negro education is better off by a full $100. Blessed is the man who causes two blades of grass to grow where but one grew before!

The Negro people, remembering how sturdily Senator Reed Smoot refused to draw the color line last year when he entertained the members and attaches of the Utah legislature, haven't the heart to join in the hue and cry against him because of his adherence to the Mormom faith. Senator Smoot is not a practical polygamist and it is not proven that his obligation to his church renders him disloyal to his oath as an officer under the United States government. As our race is so thoroughly opposed to snap judgement and to persecution on account of race, color and religion, we are inclined to insist that pending the investigation the Senator be given the benefit of every reasonable doubt.

Dr. Booker T. Washington was tendered a fine banquet in New York City recently, at the Hotel Maceo, following his lecture at Cooper Union Hall, where he spoke under the auspices of the Colored Young Men's Christian Association. The committee in charge of the delightful function was composed of Revs. C. T. Walker, W. H. Brooks, James Gordon, Dr. D. P. Reid, Secretary T. J. Bell and International Secretary J. E Moorland.

The Pen and Pencil Club, of Washington, D. C., which has deservedly earned a national reputation, has resumed, under the presidency of Mr. Arthur A. Gray, a young man of scholarly attainments. A regular syndicate letter to be sent out to such colored papers as desires the service, is in course of preparation by the literary bureau as a special feature of the club's work for the molding of a more heathful sentiment toward the race.

The will of Mrs. Frederick Douglass provides that, with the exception of a few specific bequests to friends, all of her property, real and personal, shall go to the Frederick Douglass Memorial and Historical Association. It is provided further that the Douglass home on Cedar Hill, Anacostia, D. C., is to be preserved as a perpetual memorial to the Negro's splendid Chieftain. The rooms are to remain as they were in his lifetime, and a fire proof building is to be erected, adjoining the present library in which his books are to be placed. Gideon Pitts, Dr. Charles B. Purvis and Archibald H. Grimke are named as executors to carry out the terms of the will. Despite the racial instinct that prevented the fullest cordiality toward Mrs. Douglass on the part of her own people or the people of her distinguished husband this noble woman goes to her last resting place with her memory redolent with the perfume of good works, and with the impulses that guided her life better understood than ever before by a world too eager by far to sit in judgment, without a knowledge of the facts. Her name will live in history.

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Negroes who make a specialty of giving ten-course dinners seldom have recourse to a bank account.

The education of the poor whites. North and South. will go far toward solving the race problem.

The statisticians will find it an easy task to take a census of the Methodist ministers who are not candidates for anything.

The American Negro will remain on his home soil and allow John Temple Graves and his ilk to do all of the segregating they may desire.

One school makes a professional man, but he cannot succeed without the other school which produces ten tradesmen, mechanics and farmers to support him.

Benjamin Banneker, the eminent Negro scientist, astronomer and civil engineer, gave valuable aid to L'Enfant in laying out the original plot of Washington City.

Dr. John Dill Robertson advances the theory that to be dirty is to be healthy If he is correct the people of Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Birmingham, Louisville and South Washington ought to live forever.

Miss Jane E. Clark, dean of the woman's department of Tuskegee Institute, is a mistress of both the French and the German languages. She is a graduate of Oberlin College, and a native of Newark, N. J.

The commodious new dormitory for girls at Tuskegee Institute has been christened "Douglass Hall," in honor of Frederick Douglass This supplies a long-desired monument there to the race's great commoner.

Minister Powell comes out of the San Domingo "scrap" with flying colors for upholding the dignity and prestige of our government. One thing has been amply proven, however, by the experiences of our Haitian ambassador: the job is not one to be enjoyed by a tenderfoot.

Chaplain T. G Stewart is correct in saying that the industrial propaganda represents "prodigious results," gained through "prodigious help." But it takes a leader of "prodigious" personality to attract and hold the "prodigious" help necessary to build up a prodigious institution.

The exceptional Negro is doing himself and the race proud in all the walks of life, and is being especially felt in the arts, sciences and useful professions. But, the fact remains that the masses have yet to discover the art of earning a possible living. The school that teacheth this latter science doeth a monumental work

Christmas will set the advent of a new magazine, known as the "Voice of the Negro." It is issued from the Atlanta house of J. L. Nichols & Co., with the following editorial staff: Dr. J. W. E. Bowen, editor-in-chief; J. Max Barber, managing editor; Dr. P. J. Bryant, Dr. H. H. Proctor and Prof. Emmett J. Scott, associate editors J. A. Hopkins will have charge of the business management. The magazine will prove a welcome addition to the literature of the Sunny Southland.

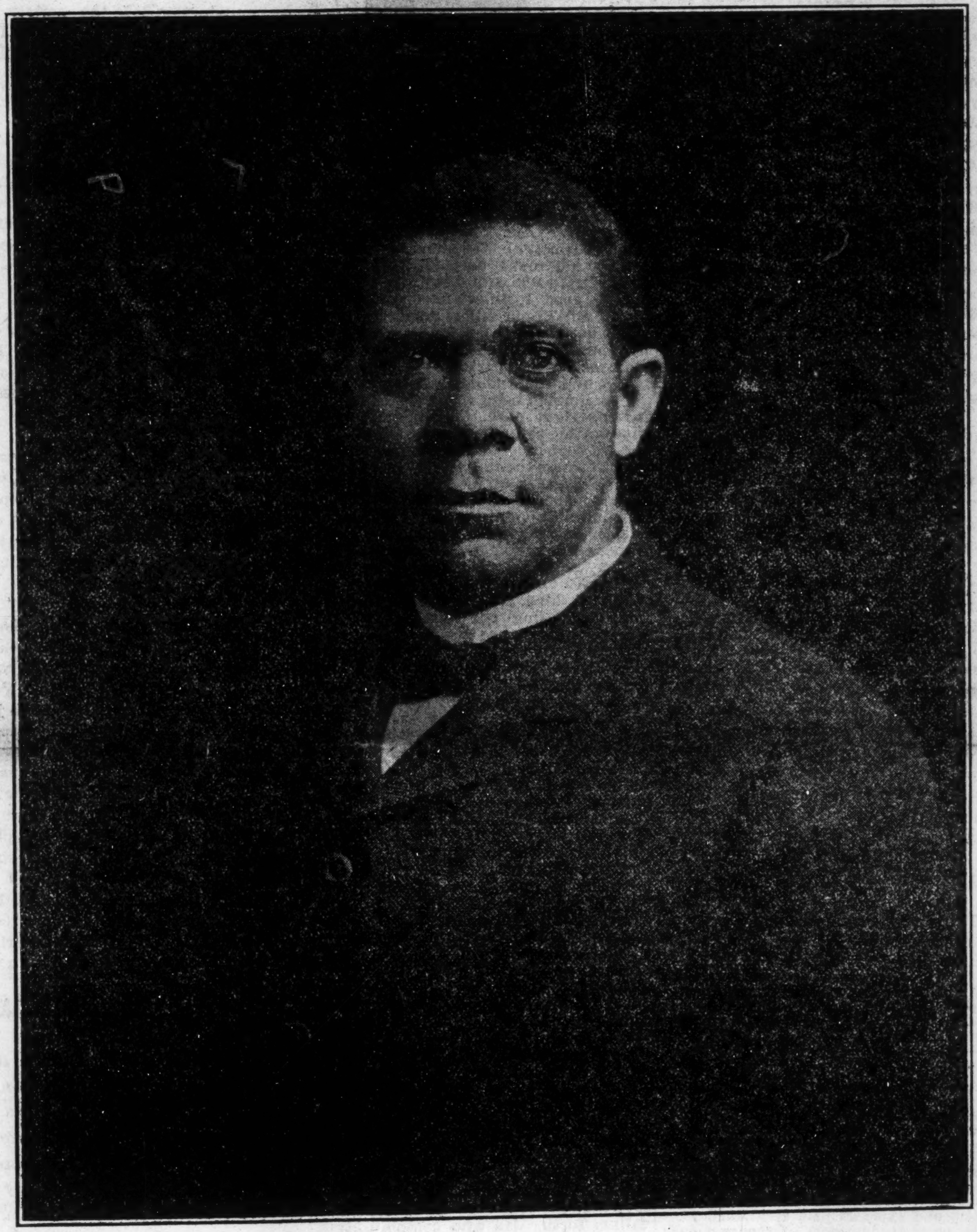
Tuskegee's graduates furnish concrete proof of the value of Booker Washington's work to the race and nation. Noah Thomas, a graduate of the shoe-making department, runs a first-class shop in Birmingham, Ala., and Buford Colson, another graduate, is doing excellent in the same business at Montgomery, employing two men. Good reports come of the work of Arthur Sawyer at Pensacola, Fla., and Philip Torey, of Lexington, Miss., who conduct well-paying shops at those points.

According to Rev. R. S. Rives, pastor of Union Wesley A. M. E. Zion Church, Washington, his connection is dominated by young men. He asserts that, with the possible exception of Rev. A. J. Warner, there is not a pronounced leader in Zion Church today who is over fifty years of age. To this, however, Rev. A. A. Croker, a promising young minister of the New England Conference, files a very effective demurrer. What saith the twinkling Star of Zion?

Mr. H. Y. Arnett (it will be Rev. before long 'tis said) formerly comparer of deeds under Recorder H. P. Cheatham, is making a fine record as financial agent of Wilberforce University. He has toured the North quite successfully, and is now "cleaning up" in the Southeastern belt. Mr. Arnett is an orator of force and his arguments carry conviction with them. Mrs. Arnett, a charming lady, is matron at Wilberforce.

It is unsafe to write letters to white lady clerks in the government service at Washington. Mr. W. T. Ferguson, a well-thought of $1,200 clerk in the Census Office, dropped a line to a female co-worker of fair complexion, and the authorities dropped him therefor. It is understood that there was nothing in the note that would have been considered objectionable had both parties been white or colored, and much sympathy is felt for Mr. Ferguson.

R. W. THOMPSON.



DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

Colored Pythians Organize.

Jeffersonville, Ind., Special.—Falls City Lodge No. 21, Knights of Pythias, was organized Sunday, December 6, the ceremonies being conducted by Grand Chancellor Commander A. V. Strickland, Deputy Grand Chancellor M. A. Hart, of Indiana, and Grand Chancellor Washington, of Kentucky. Its membership is made up of some of the most prominent men in this section. Officers were elected as follows: Charles H. Miller, G. C.; H. Whitney, V. C.; John Franklin, Master at Arms; A. J. Spears, Prelate; Joseph Ellis, Master of Exchequer; William Justice, Master of Finance; William Morgan, Keeper of Records and Seal; James Parker, Will Brown and Henry Anderson, Trustees. Grant S. Neal, formerly connected with The Freeman traveling agent, paid the city a visit last week. He had been ill for some weeks and was en route from Ohio to his home at Little Rock, Ark. Mr. Neal also represents a Business College located at Vincennes. The Jeffersonville Daily Star is liberal in its treatment of our colored citizens. It gave a very graphic and highly complimentary report of a recent address on "Booker T. Washington and Tuskegee Institute" at Wesley M. E. chapel. Mrs. Carrie F. Rosson has been on the sick list, but is greatly improved. Mrs. Rosson has rendered such excellent service as Worthy Mother of St. Mary's Temple that the lodge recently presented her with a handsome and costly jewel and a resolution was adopted allowing her to retire from active work on the last of this month. Misses Nellie A. and Amanda B. Hughes, of Louisville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson Friday. A Christmas concert is being planned for the 23rd at Wesley M. E. chapel, for the benefit of the pastor, Rev. G. W. Langford. The Business League had a rousing meeting Monday evening at Bethel A. M. E. church.

Mound City News Items.

Mound City, Ill., Special.—Rev. J. W. Ousley and J. Wade have been indisposed the past week. Rev. A. J. Donaldson returned the 22d from a revival tour. Miss Mittie Foulks and Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell are spending the holidays with relatives in Hickman, Ky. James Curtis has returned from St Louis with a crippled foot. Arthur Cole and H. Jenkins, two popular waiters of the Halliday house, Cairo, served a banquet at Cotter's on the 18th. The family of Quincy Bradley will soon return to reside here. Thomas Boyd has full charge of the National Cemetery at $60 per month Miss Florence Johnson, who has had charge of the school near Eddyville, Ky., returned on the 24th. George Hughes Jr., is expected home to spend the holidays. The Young Men's Pride Lodge will give their annual installation on the 28th at the S. M. T. Hall. Rev H. McClellan of Mounds filled the pulpit at A. M. E. church on Sunday.

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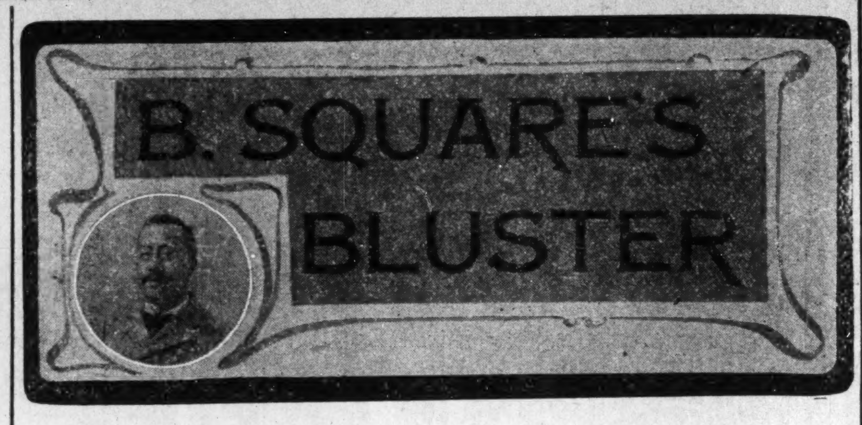

"The year is dying," or least is on its "last legs." When you review the past eleven months of the year 1903 what do you recall to your credit? Have you done any noble or good deed for some poor fellowman? Have you improved any during the year? Is the world any better for you having lived during the year? Have you saved any money during the year? Have you paid for your year's subscription to The Freeman?

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THINGS THAT CAN NOT BE EXPLAINED.

How old "Ann," of puzzle fame is?

Why we have no white friends as of yore?

Who will be the next president of the United States?

Why the republics South of us are always scrapping?

Why our Methodist ministers are always scrapping?

Why congress does not reduce the representation of the South?

Why our Negro "leaders" do no pull together in the interest of the race?

Why we hear no more of a noted colored female writer of song and story.

Why a woman will cry when she should laugh, and laugh when she should cry?

Why a woman will say "yes" when she means "no," and "no" when she means "yes."

What will become of Johnnie Temple Graves and Ben Tillman when they die? (N. B. This is an easy one.)

Why the trades unions shut their doors into the faces of Negroes and ask us to use "union" goods? (This is gall, or adding insult to injury.)

Why the "Brooklyn Eagle" insists upon pushing Grover Cleveland forward for the Democratic nomination for president of the United States? (This is a hard one.)

Why a man will tell his wife the old, old lie about being at the club or lodge when he is out late at night, when he knows she knows he is telling a falsehood, and she knows he knows she knows it. Don't you know?

Why a gang of young loafers in every town in the country will stand outside of church doors, expectorate tobacco juice on the side-walk and insult our mothers, sisters, wives and sweethearts as they leave church? (When we are not in their company.)

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Thirty years ago, when I was a student at dear, old Hampton, some "wisenhimer," (time has erased his name from my memory) started this question: "If you were in a row boat with your mother and your wife and the boat turned over and you could in no way save but one, who would you save, your mother or your wife? Every single man we asked said his mother, and every married man, after a sober reflection, said his wife. The question opened a debate in our debating society as to what real love was. The question was asked me a few days ago, and Ella Wheeler Wilcox, in a recent number of the New York Evening World, answers the question. (From her view point) she says:

"There are innumerable platitudes in circulation regarding family ties and relationship, and the person who utters any remark which varies from those platitudes is usually called unnatural Yet the human heart cannot be forced to admire what is not admirable, or to love what is unlovable, nor can it be hindered from admiring and loving where the qualities exist which call forth these sentiments.

There is a certain broad sympathy which is love in the broad sense, and which we should feel for all created things That is the love meant in the command: "Love your enemies," and "love your neighbor as yourself." This love should make us ready to forgive any injury, to do any favor, to rejoice at any good fortune and be sorry for any trouble of our fellow men.

It is not always easy to feel even this love, but it can be cultivated if we stop and consider the shortness of this phase of life, and the difficulties which hamper all human beings in their effort to find the right path. When we think often in this vein about our fellow mortals we soon find our resentments and our bitterness turning to pity—the pity that is another name for love. But there is a spontaneous love called forth by admirable qualities and by love in another nature, which we can only give to those who create it. No tie of blood or law can force this love from our souls. No human code of manners or rules of fashion can prevent the feeling from animating our hearts when we meet the nature that inspires it.

There is an old saying that love goes where it is sent. The phrase is often applied to passion, but the love under discussion is not passion; it is a sentiment above and beyond it, and one often existing between members of the same sex, or between those of wholly different stations in life.

A lady, who had just returned from a long tour, where she had encountered all the notables and nabobs of the land, remarked: "The most lovable person I met while absent from home was a parlor car conductor. Such kindness, such tact, such thoughtfulness towards weary pilgrims, and such continued good cheer and unobtrusiveness. Everybody felt an absolute affection for him before the journey was ended. He had entertained the crying children and arranged pillows for aching heads, and pointed out objects of interest to scenery loving tourists.

Had a grouty, selfih, disagreeable father or brother accompanied the lady on this journey the fact of his relationship might have retained her respectful treatment, but she could not have felt the same grateful affection and admiration she gave the conductor, because they could not have called forth such emotions

No human being receives more or less love than his or her nature is capable of calling forth. He who complains that he is unloved needs to look within himself for the cause Grief for the departed is not always an indication of affectionate companionship It is often the expression of nervousness resulting from a broken habit.

Some people are slaves of habit and do not know how to use freedom from the slavery. I have known a woman who had lived in torment with a drunken and unkind huband, who had killed her love years before, to weep for months after his death, and declare she was desolate and lonely. No doubt she was. There had been a sort of entertainment in her misery which she missed. Yet this is not genuine love or genuine grief. It is the result of habit.

Grief for a friend may follow us through life, yet we may not wear mourning or weep many tears over the coffin, and we may go about our business cheerfully And we shed hysterical tears over the sudden death of one not closely knit to us in love, but whose daily presence we were accustomed to and whose absence shocked the nervous system temporarily. Time alone is the test of love for those who have passed on.

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Speaking about true love, what love is more constant and true than a dog's love for his master and master's family? This dumb brute could give many human brutes "cards and spades" in the love game and win out. Now don't get angry at facts girls.

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Revolutions are the fads of our sister republics, and the black ones are right in line with the push. You can't lose them when it comes to revolutions or "Generals."

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WORLD'S FAIR NEWS NOTES.

Newsboy Day at the World's Fair will be August 16.

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The University, at Cardiff, Wales, will make an exhibit in the Department of Education at the World's Fair.

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Five-hundred-thousand incandescent electric lamps will be employed in the illumination of the World's Fair grounds and buildings.

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Germany's pavilion at the World's Fair is under roof. The building is a replica of the Castle at Charlottenburg and the plans were revised by Emperor William.

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Texas' unique star-shaped building at the World's Fair is receiving its staff ornamentation. Its peculiar shape and its great dome render it conspicuous among the state structures.

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New York grape growers have two tons of choice grapes in cold storage and will display them in the Palace of Horticulture on the opening of the World's Fair.

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A reproduction of the cottage in which the grandfather of the late President McKinley was born in Ireland, will be one of the features of the Irish exhibition at the World's Fair.

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Two acres immediately West of the Palace of Agriculture at the World's Fair grounds have been converted into a natural garden. There may be seen all the wild flowers and shrubs indiginous to the Mississippi and Missouri valleys.

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The snow that fell recently on the Tyrolean Alps at the World's Fair did not add much to their whiteness. The peaks at St Louis with their staff coverings are as dazzling in whiteness as are the real Alps.

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A model of the Assouan Dam, which is on the first cataract of the Nile, will be exhibited in Great Britain's display at the World's Fair. The model is sixteen by four feet and is the property of Sir Benjamin Baker, the engineer of the dam.

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One of the most notable of the historic portrait statues for the Louisiana Purchase Exposition has just been completed by the well-known New York sculptor, Herbert Adams. The subject is the Spanish explorer of the shores of the Gulf of Mexico, Panfilo Narvaes. The work is worthy of the genius of this noted artist and gives one a vivid impression of the picturesque and romantic figure represented in this piece of sculpture. Mr. Adams has executed many well-known statues, some of his work being in the Congressional Library at Washington. The famous "Goddess of Light" of the Pan-American Electric Tower was by this sculptor.

NOT IN DEFENSE OF A GREAT MAN

Editor Freeman—I pen these lines not in defense of a great man, because a great man or a small one when accused of no greater crime than being a benefactor of his race needs no defense by either pen or tongue. I simply pen these lines to express the true sentiment of every fair and honest thinking civilized person. I refer to Dr. Booker T. Washington. It is an unsolvable mystery to every honest thinking American how some Negroes, who stand so high and occupy such prominent places in the intellectual world, can descend to such depths or stoop so low as to try to criticize the unprecedented work of Dr. Washington. Every person who has given a moment's thought to the Negroes' past condition and future needs know that Dr. Washington is pursuing the only course consistent with reason or common sense. Our white neighbors have a lengthy start of us. They have all the money, all of the land, all avenues of employment are open to them so they can afford to give their children a special education; but with the Negroes it is vastly different. We have but very little money, very little land, and all avenues of employment are not open to us; therefore we need a general education—hands, head and heart. In this age of brilliant civilization, swift progress, changing conditions and spirited competition, if the Negro hopes to keep pace with and be to any degree successful he must be an all-round individual; he must be able to go into more than one field, and when entering be able to do as good work as the majority of workmen there. I do not mean that every Negro shall be so educated, though it would be no disadvantage to them; but I do mean that the masses of our people should be educated that way. If our lady school teachers had studied something else, while in school, in connection with the science of teaching they would always have regular employment whereas they now have employment from five to ten months out of twelve. Envy—shame to it.

Yours for the success and progress of our race. JOHN M D. THURMAN.
Stanford, Ky

Mineola Jottings.

Mineola, Tex, Special—On December 10 Mr. Cage Orr entertained quite a number of his friends at supper. All spent a pleasant evening. This community was blessed with heavy rain Saturday. The new road law has changed the age of "road hands" from 18 to 21 years. The property qualifications in our state for voting lets in a few of our citizens, among whom are R M Jones, J. A. Veasey, R. M. Dowel, Willis Oliner, Billy Davis and Henry Anderson. Cotton is selling for 11 cents this year, cash. The Freeman, the race's best paper, $1.00 a year.

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F. J.

Guntersville, Ala., Oct. 26, 1902.

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Edited By
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Important Announcement.

Beginning on or about January 16th the editor of this department will begin a waiter's school in these columns, at which time a practical course in letter writing, punctuation, capitalization and the use and expression of words. Full particulars later.

The waiters of the Hotel Superior, Superior, Wis, will give a grand mask ball on January 11.

C. H. Mason, formerly headwaiter of the Superior Hotel, Superior, Wis., left last week for Hot Springs, Ark.

E. T. Montgomery, formerly headwaiter at the Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill.; Oriental, Dallas, Texas; Park Hotel, Hot Springs, Ark., and who so successfully managed the dining room for the Bailey Catering Co, at the Buffalo Exposition, is now in charge of the dining room at the Hamilton Hotel, St. Louis, Mo.

E. E. Statler, who conducted the big Statler Hotel at the Buffalo Exposition, will conduct the restaurants inside of the grounds at the St Louis World's Fair. He will erect a big hotel known as the Inside Inn. Mr. Statler employed girls at Buffalo and will also employ girls at St. Louis, which will be a great blow to the colored waiters.

Mr. J. A. Stokes, formerly headwaiter at the Chicago Beach and Lexington Hotels, at Chicago, has returned to this city, Superior, Wis., after an absence of twelve years and taken charge of the dining department of Hotel Superior. Mr. Stokes has also purchased an elegant residence here, on Weeks avenue, paying in the neighborhood of $4,000 for it.

Mr. W E Tucker, headwaiter at the Albion Hotel, Augusta, Ga., writes: "The criticism of one, J. C. Donley, does me an injustice, and while I could respond to every sentence in his article I will not take up the space to do so, however, I have thus far met with great success in my hotel career. That my character and dining room ability is appreciated and is attested by my being regularly in employment and in demand, which is more than my critic can truthfully say.

The annual advent of the Dies Natalis or, to use the more ordinary term, Christmast day, brings the joyous festivities of yule-tide. To the children who has had the myth Santa Clause instilled in their ultra excited minds, the coming of Xmas is enveloped into dreams and anticipation made up of stuffed stockings with candies, toys, dolls, etc. To the youths who are just budding into manhood and womanhood it is a mixture of seriousness and revelery. To the aged and totering, whose locks have been whitened by the snows of many winters, and who are rapidly approaching the evening of life, Christmas day suggest something more important than revelry. It is a reminder of that night when Jesus Christ, the Son of the Virgin Mary, was born in Betheleham. The night that the star which guided the three wise men of the East burst forth and cast its bright rays from behind the vine-clad hills of Judea and made its way to and stood above the ox manger where Christ, our Savior, was meekly ushered into this world. Christmas day has been celebrated for many centuries, and the present custom of decorations may be found in the scripture of Isaiah, which reads: "The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree and box together to beautify the place of my sanctuary."

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Hudson Cary, Superior, Wis, lost his residence by fire last week, but it was fully covered by insurance. Mr. Cary has resigned his position as waiter at the Hotel Superior and accepted a likely position at the Cafe Courtney.

The editor cannot refrain saying a few words in memory of the deceased members and comrades of the Head and Second Waiter's Association, who were true members and labored hard and honestly to make it a success. The death of Mr. George Washington, of the Forest City House, Cleveland, O., has robbed the association of one of its most zealous members and state vice-president The association lost two valuable members in the death of Frank Terry and H. L. Martin, also of Cleveland, O The dead brother, W. F. Martin, of Indianapolis, Ind., vice-president of that state, was a serious loss, as Mr Martin was one of the charter members.

Brother Charles Hamilton, of the Rittenhouse, Philadelphia, was a charter member, who always responded to every call. In his death the association lost one of its most valuable members and advisors.

The late Thomas R. Frazier, who was recognized as the peer of all colored headwaiters, was a member and did much in the way of establishing a reputation for the profession. Mr. Frazier was every inch a hotel man, and his place in the profession can never be filled. To all the above comrades I say sincerely: "Peace be unto your ashes."

Our Efforts Appreciated.

Editor of The Freeman:—Allow me to congratulate you for publishing one of the cleanest, newsiest and most popular products of the American press, and the foremost Negro weekly of the universe. Editorials from the pens of such men as W. F. Cozart and Dr. Majors demand attention at all time. Enough can not be said in praise of our much talked of man, Mr. Washington, and his success industrially. The life devoted thus by any one is by no means miscarried. His broad, philanthropic ideas are appreciated by all deep thinking Afro-Americans. I would that we had more that could awaken to the reality and pressing needs of the masses of our people. How many men have we that are in a position to benefit his people through a public source that does it without a desire to satisfy their own selfish desires?

How few hold out for the right and denounce the wrongs toward the less important help—the waiter. The pecuniary wages recieved, the inconsistent food tolerated; where is his defense in such cases? If any misunderstanding arises of either a personal or a business nature between the waiter and the chef or the steward in most cases no investigation is supposed to be necessary, the fact that there has been a disagreement is sufficient to cause the waiter to forfeit his position. He must not expect no quarter from his superior officer. Such unfairness is unjust, still it goes on unnoticed daily. A few months ago while employed in a metropolitan hotel a fellow waiter on serving an important guest with steak occasioned to get a bad steak which was promptly turned down by the guest at the expense of the waiter's position, who was removed as an impediment to the service, and that without protest.

ARTHUR GREENE.

REMINISCENCES OF AN EX-HEADWAITER

BY W. F. COZART.

The ups and downs of the waiter in his early career are many. He is subjected to many hard knocks from first one and then another in and around the hotel. He is also a mark for practical jokes, and other jokes that are not practical, by his fellow-waiters. Years ago it was an unwritten law that every new waiter employed should be initiated in some form or other. The jokes and pranks played on new waiters and other hotel help are many, and after one has gone through it he wonders how he ever pulled through.

When but fourteen years old, I secured a position at the —— Hotel as dishwasher, receiving a salary of five dollars per month. After filling this position for nearly a year, which broke all previous records for this hotel, as Mrs. Jones, the proprietress, was considered a very mean employer, I was promoted to the position of bellboy at a salary of six dollars per month.

THE COUNTRY BELLBOY SNAP.

Bellboys in a country town hotel in those days did not have an easy berth like the modern bellboy. They had no gay uniform with brass buttons and had no captain of watch to drill them like soldiers and, as a general thing, there was only one of us on watch, and only one watch. My duty at this hotel as bellboy was (in winter) to rise at five o'clock, make fires in all the rooms, when requested to do so, sweep all the halls up and down stairs, all the stairways and the office; polish shoes, carry samples up and down stairs, meet all day and night trains as well as the steamboats which made two trips a week through our town. My watch was arranged as follows: Watch both night and day, which I did for seven months, at which time I was promoted to the position of waiter. I had no regular time to eat or sleep, nor had I any bed to sleep in. I usually ate my meals when my work was finished. I ate many a breakfast after twelve o'clock, which consisted of bread and syrup. My bed was one quilt, which I folded in half, and got between and laid on the floor in the sitting room. I was therefore compelled to go to bed after everyone else had retired and rise before anyone else awakened.

On the nights the steamboat came down I was expected to hear the first whistle, it mattered not whether it was twelve o'clock at night or three o'clock in the morning, and be at the wharf when the boat landed and drum up trade for the hotel. If I failed to do this a heavy fine was imposed upon me. The distance from the hotel to the wharf was only one mile and a half, which I had to walk or run.

I remember once, while polishing shoes, it became necessary for me to leave the bootstand for a few minutes, and during my brief stay a pair of shoes was stolen. The drummer who owned the shoes demanded the price for another pair, of the proprietress, and she ruled that I must pay for the lost shoes and thus both, like Shylock, cried for their pound of flesh, and I, poor devil, had to pay five dollars out of a six-dollar salary.

HIGH ASPIRATIONS

I shall never forget my strong ambition to become a waiter. At last the chance came. For seven long months I had been filling the bellboy's position with perfect satisfaction and now I was to be promoted to a waiter. One of the regular waiters had resigned his position and had gone just at a time he was needed, and as the supply of waiters was exhausted I was promoted to fill the vacancy. O, how glad; how my heart thrilled with joy when I donned a black jacket, apron and a pair of fifteen-cent carpet slippers.

As a waiter I would receive $10 per month, and the thing that gave me so much joy and at the same time a great deal of worry was what I should do with so much money. I planned several air castles, to say nothing of the good clothes I would buy.

When the dining room opened for breakfast I was given a table with a few instructions as to what to do. My table was an "old ace" table, and the first guest to take a seat at the table was one of those jolly kind of fellows who always observed a funny side to everything, and he proceeded to have his fun. Seeing from my looks that I was scared, he spoke to me nicely and asked if I was going to wait upon him. I told him I was.

HIS FIRST ORDER

"Well, bring me some soft-boiled eggs on one side and some real good coffee with whisky in it and a loaf of bread." Having received the order I hastened to the kitchen, and in a loud voice called for soft-boiled eggs on one side, real good coffee with whisky in it, and a loaf of bread. 'Some what?' asked the cook. I repeated the order. The cook fell across the table and the waiters all went into convulsions of laughter, and for my life I could not see where the laugh came in.

Soon after becoming a waiter I decided to see some of the world and larger hotels. Through kindness of the steamboat captain I reached a large city without price The next day after I landed I was engaged as waiter for one of the big hotels Waiters were very scarce there at the time, and all hotels in the town had a rush of business, therefore I had no difficulty in getting on.

My first meal was to work for dinner, and I was given a table in the center aisle in the lower end of the room.

The dining room was very large and spacious, and was running about forty waiters, which was quite different from the hotel where I had previously worked, where only five waiters did all the work and scrubbed the dining room three times a week.

As I stood at my station, gazing over the room, I could hear my heart beat within, and felt my legs shake as I knew I was out of my class, but as I had said I was a waiter and not knowing how to get out of the hotel, I was compelled to face the music. Finally a guest was seated at my table, and without even giving a glass of water I received the order and then made a break for the kitchen dashing through the wrong door, causing another waiter coming in to wreck four dinners and receive a blow in the face from the door I then rushed out of the other door, and in a few seconds I was lost in the big kitchen. The guest whom I was serving only ordered ice cream, cake and coffee.

A DISMAL ENDING.

Now I did not know what kind of dish to serve the cream in, nor did I know where to get the cream, so I inquired of the first waiter I saw, who gave me a soup plate and sent me to the broiler for the cream. The broiler sent me to the butcher, the butcher kindly showed me down the steps, which was direct to the engine room the engineer sent me to the storeroom which was at the other end of the cellar, the storeroom man sent me directly across the street to a livery stable, and from the stable I was sent one and a half blocks away to a dressmaking establishment, and here the joke was exposed by a good natured lady (just like a woman, could not keep a secret) who explained to me how I was being fooled

I returned to the hotel to find that the dinner was all over; waiters and cooks had disappeared, and with much difficulty I found my coat and hat, discarded my apron and jacket and gladly left the hotel and never returned

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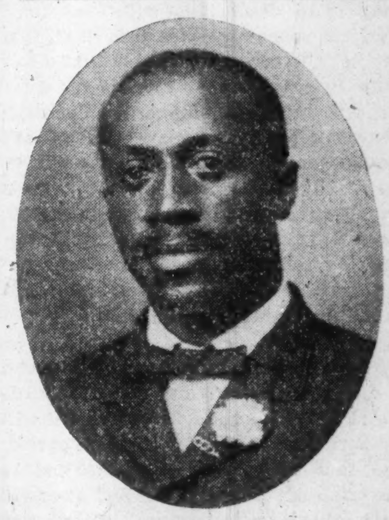
An Address at the Waiter's and Cook's Banquet, Mobile, Ala.

Mr. toast-master, ladies and gentlemen, a few days ago I was informed by the esteemed president of this organization that I would be called upon to represent The Freeman and the Colored American, the two national Negro journals, I have the honor to be the agent for in this city, that I must confess my inability to do so.

For a number of years I have been a reader of The Freeman, and thousands will coincide with me as well as you when I say it was The Freeman that broke down the sentiment against Negro waiters from being called "bone polishers," and made table waiting a profession as well as other professions. And, tonight, I can say The Freeman is the rock whereby—if every Negro waiter and cook will read it each week—



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they will be able at any and all time to meet their contemporary on the European stage, and be master of the situation. In speaking of the press, if any race ought to be grateful to the press it is the Negro. You, who are familiar with history, remember it was through the press of Elijah P. Lovejoy that caused you and I to have the privilege we now enjoy. Some one may say his press was of no interest to the Negro, he was dead and gone when the Negro was emancipated; but you will remember he was assassinated on account of advertising freedom but his blood continued to cry from the soil of Missouri until this country was baptized in blood, and Lee was compelled to meet and surrender the obedient children of Ham. Although Lovejoy was sleeping in his grave, and his press and some of his type scattered upon the soil of Missouri yet the children of slavery will always remember him, because he was one of God's swift winged messengers and, as Isaiah prophesied of the coming of Christ, and spoke of his dyed garments of blood, so did Rev. Elijah P. Lovejoy prophesy the emancipation of every Negro slave. The press, dear friends, has always advocated the right and wrongs of nations in war and in peace And when the great city of Indianapolis gave birth to The Freeman, in the language of the wise men, they spoke of the birth of our savior. I say for that paper to every Negro man, woman and child, from the snow-top hills of Canada to the glittering streams of California, unto you a child was born, unto you a journal was established, its name shall be called Freeman, and with the pen of its great editor, George L Knox, he will make the kings of our enemies tremble when our race have been imposed on.

In the great capital city of this country we have in it the Colored American, a pillow of fire by night and a pillow of clouds by day, and as that great journal makes its way from the capital city to the isle of the sea our enemies tremble along the way. Ku-klux mobs and lynching jurors fear and reflect. Should I stand before you until the morning stars would sing together again, I could not be able to tell you the great good this race paper has done for us. And, as brother waiters and cooks in our daily occupation we have much to contend with We must read our official organ, The Freeman, if we wish to be intelligent in this European age. If our hotel managers, stewards and proprietors find virtue in the Hotel World and Reporter each week, if we expect to meet the demand of today, we must read The Freeman. I see faces of men before me tonight that once have been waiters, they are now real estate and money brokers, and business men. If this country recognize The Indianapolis Freeman and other leading Negro papers great papers, some of these editors have stood in the shoes you and I stand in, and allow me to appeal to you in the interest of yourself, you who are crapshooters or trustees of immorality, strive to make yourselves men, and not sports.

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IN THE CHRISTMAS DAYS.

At this time the Yule-Tide, the mind, will grow retrospective—looking backwards—review itself with the view of giving an account of its stewardship for the last twelve months. It is a good thing for the human family that these days of "semi official" reckoning come; they seem preludes of the final day, the judgment, when the individual will stand confronted by a just, but relentless accuser, who will not yield as the sometimes too complying conscience.

Christmas time may not have been arranged out of divine economy for the moral and religious interest of man by reminding him of the advent of Christ, yet the resemblance is as faithful as sleep is to death, but with that most glorious redeeming feature, that, it is but yet the counterfeit, and that a day more is given, a year more is given for "slumbering a little longer." The resolutions of the past years which have been as ropes of sand with many will be reavowed. Regardless of the broken promises, the unfaith with man or God these days are confidently looked forward to, when some will make promises again that they will set at naught at the first trial or temptation.

Resolutions will be meshes of thread to some, yet if but for a little while they live up to their intentions, it will make them stronger for the next period and that they be better able to endure the trials of the meanwhile and at which time they will have contributed their influence to the world's uplift as the waves created by the dropping pebble, roll on to infinity. One act of goodness performed ought to be as instrumental for good, and often is, as the shot at Sumter was for harm; the influences flowing out of either can never end. [We have in mind that harm beyond the contention for justice.] But there are thousands who have been weighted down with woes awaiting the compelling days, so to speak—a spiritual shrine erected amid the penitentiary days—the creedless altar of the moral world at whose base are flung the burdens of hate and those things that set one at enmity with his neighbor; its the period for casting out devils and taking on the Christ nature—loving mankind freely for the sake of mankind—that the mission of man be not impeded, in that he should be the noblest creature under the sun, but little less than the very angels of heaven. It is thus written; man's duty is inscribed high; it will take high aims and endeavor to subscribe to the platform of principles as dictated by Jesus Christ, but it is no impossible thing to live in sight of the laws.

The thoughtful can scarcely think of Christmas without thinking of Him for whom the day stands; of Christ, the Babe of Bethlehem. Whatever the notions of the world may be as to His divinity, it is fairly agreed that a great good man was born nigh on to two thousand years ago in a manger in the land of Judea "while the shepherds watched their flocks by night." The Miltonic chaos, the religious bedlam of the world were attuned to harmony divine by love, "For God so loved the world," etc. The world's object is to grow like Him of the unimpeachable code of laws and which stamps the divinity through the perfection, the essence being the Golden Rule. The Christian world is fortunate in having the recurring Christmas seasons embodying Christ, to whom to point as the great exemplar, and of whom we never tire—"Tell me the old, old story," etc. The time is Christ emphasized, the self-sermonizing days, the days when "conscience makes cowards of us all." Man can be no hypocrit to himself; this self-preachment—every man his own confessional will be as efficacious as a hundred pulpits.

Resolve to put more love in the world, those who are able to do so, that the heavy load of oppression be lifted from the cast down, enfeebling the hand of conscious and unrelenting tyranny, making paralytic mob courts and civil and political injustices, and all things unChrist and unreasonable. They, like Nicodemus, have "kept the laws" from their youths up and all that, but they are unmindful of the human misery in the world, which they could alleviate, turning darkness into light simply by the "touch." Along with individual necessity comes the need of struggling institutions. Mr Carnegie has lifted Booker T. Washington's institution above the slough of despond, but there are scores of others conducted by either race, but principally by colored people that stand in need of the Midas touch. The cry goes up like that which went up from the blind Kellar "for light!" The Carnegie habit would be the means of spiking the guns of socialism and "capitalistic tyranny" would not be the dread octopus it is reported to be.

The colored man who with whatever racial faults is human still; he is not responsible for his physical make up or his habitation as it concerns this country. With the Christ spirit enlarged he will come in for a share of consideration that seems to be withheld. Some resolutions in his behalf along civic and political lines would not be amiss amid the Festival of Christ, the patron Saint who counted the human heart only. It should be done in behalf of the universal march toward the more perfect day on earth and the glorification of the end for which mankind was destined.

MR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

With pleasure we present in this issue several features of Tuskegee, the great institution conducted by the world-famed Booker T. Washington. Very little can be said of the man or the institution that will increase the general admiration for either, yet they are incentives and of the best kind, and as such, too much publicity can not be given them. The world is fairly informed concerning the struggles of Mr. Washington in his work, which begun in the humblest manner, and to which beginning he seems to take pride in referring. In fact, his spirit of humility is his virtue; he is not too proud to reckon back to the whence from which he came. He is not, however, unconscious of the vast strides he has made, but it has not destroyed his balance; he is the same Mr. Washington of the years ago when he was fighting apparent insurmountable financial difficulties.

Tuskegee is truly a magical institution as concerns growth. None in the world, perhaps, has reached its proportions within the given time; the growth is not to be attributed to opportunity merely, for it is so often said that the industrial education idea was not new, and that other institutions of a similar character by many years antedated his; it was the genius of the individual. Tuskegee is as it is, because of Prof. Booker T. Washington, and shame to any one who would attempt to subtract from him one jot or title.

From one insignificant building at the beginning, in 1881, on the 4th of July, Tuskegee has to its credit many buildings, among which are seven magnificent halls named in honor of the donors. They are Rockefeller, Huntington, Alabama, Sassedy, Phelps, Porter, Olivia Davidson Hall, and a science hall. The office building, the girls' dormitory and the Collis P. Huntington memorial building are noteworthy structures that are both useful and ornamental.

The Carnegie Library is a splendid brick structure, built on the colonial style of architecture, and cost $20,000. The four Ionic columns on the front, support a well designed pediment which forms the porch, and give the building a very imposing appearance. In its greatest dimensions, the building is fifty by one hundred and ten feet, and two stories high. In plan, it contains a central part, flanked on the east and west sides by wings, thirty by forty feet. The building is heated by steam and lighted by electricity. Speaking tubes and other fixtures of well appointed library, have been generously provided.

Eleven new buildings buildings are under the process of ecrection at this time. Mr. Washington places an estimate of $525,000 on the properties of the institution and does not think it too high. The endowment fund is something like $1,000,000.

Students of Tuskegee are required to attend Sunday School and Church services regularly every Sunday. There are among the students four religious organizations and societies: The Young Men's Christian Association, Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, The Young Women's Christian Temperance Union, The Young Women's Christian Association, and The Edna D. Cheney Missionary Society. Although Tuskegee is primarily a Normal and Industrial Institute, the religious side of its work is not negnected or slighted.

It is apparent that the religious training is one of the strong features of Tuskegee, which is at variance with a notion to the contrary that sought circulation recently.

The Tuskegee Student is an excellent little publication, chiefly edited by Mr. Emmett J. Scott, Mr. Washington's private secretary. Mr. Scott is an able, scholarly writer and well fitted for his very responsible task. The Southern Letter is a monthly journal, containing a record of the achievements of the graduates of the institution and goes more particulary to philanthropic persons throughout the country.

A military system has long since been in vogue at Tuskogee, of which Mr. Washington says: "The military system has been introduced for the reason that it cultivates habits of order, neatness and unquestioned obedience. Besides, the drill is good physical training, promoting, as it does, a manly bearing. 'Setting-up' exercises according to the very latest methods used in the United States Army have been introduced. No guns are used."

As to Mr. Washington's educational views, he has tried to have all understand that he stands for one phase of education, and that is manual training. He does not feel that his effort along that line should interrupt the progress of the other phases of education, but he means, as it is clearly shown by his almost superhuman effort, to leave no stone unturned in the promotion of the side he has chosen. His views on the educational phases amount to a principle, which is as follows:

A liberal education for those who are able to be liberal, which is the jewel—consistency—the thing so often lost to view.

Booker T. Washington is the man for the age—the age of achievements—the age in which things are being done. The dreamers, wiseacres or dunces may dream on, theorize on, but the world will "pay them no mind" until they carry out some of their plans now on paper.

Last week a news item in this paper, says the Springville New Era referred to J. Frank Armstrong, who recently visited his mother at Marion. As many of our readers know this young man is a mulatto, a gentleman of splendid education, high morals and refinement. At present he is the efficient assistant to the private secretary of Dr. Booker T. Washington who is the most eminent Negro living. Mr. Armstrong is a graduate of the Marion high school and of Cornell. His manliness, integrity and affability won for him the respect and esteem of all the students of the college as well as the admiration of the faculty of Cornell. He is no laggard, but is energetic, upright and progressive, and has made the most of his opportunities. He is an example of what education and refinement will do for the "downtrodden race."—The Marion (Iowa) Sentinel.

Rev. S. S. Morris has been appointed Superintendent of Industries at Morris Brown College to succeed Rev. C. A. Wingfield,

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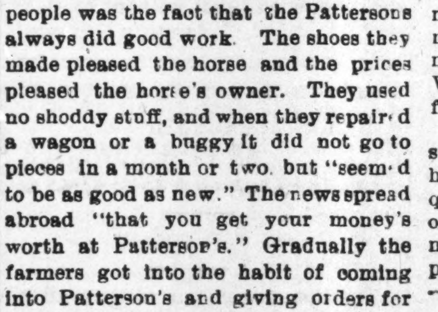
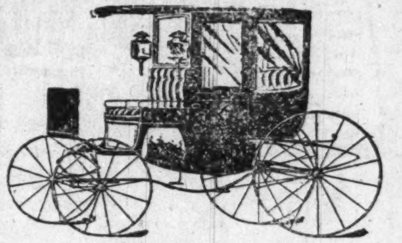


It was hard work all these years competing with large foreign firms, but the energy and perseverance of the Pattersons knew neither discouragement nor diminution. With good material, skillful work and designing, and reasonable prices they knew that their day would come. Every time they turned out a job they made a friend who would surely "call again." The business now is far beyond the experimental stage. It is on a safe foundation, with capital behind it—and better still—a store of indomitable energy and unflagging perseverance.



The Patterson vehicles are standard. They have been at numerous exhibitions North, South, East and West and have won prizes and commendations galore.

Mr. Fred D. Patterson, who is the business element of the firm, is ever on the alert for new designs and methods. He is a thorough believer in advertising and the handsome catalogues which have carried the name and fame of the Patterson vehicles throughout the length and breadth of Ohio, through Illinois, even past the portals of the "White City," down into the Blue Grass State and into Sunny Tennessee, are the result of his wise judgment and critical taste. Greenfield is indeed fortunate in possessing such a large and growing industry as the Patterson Carriage Works.

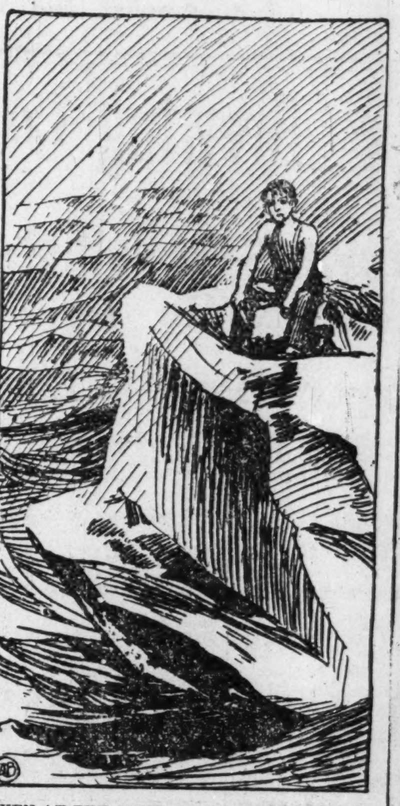
This house is heartily recommended to the readers of The Freeman. All colored people who contemplate purchasing a buggy, carriage or vehicle of any kind should, as a matter of race pride, give this deserving firm the preference of their patronage.

CHRISTMAS ON AN ICEBERG

THIS is in substance the story of Ray Lambertson, a Nova Scotia lad of eighteen, who was taken off an iceberg at sea by a passing ship and treated in Bellevue hospital:

"Father and I went out fishing on Christmas eve last from Clark's harbor. We were after mackerel and were doing well, but had not been long out when a bay of Fundy fog surrounded us, and we concluded to put back. After groping our way east for half an hour we struck against something, or something struck against us, and I was thrown clean overboard. I know now that the keel of our boat collided with the spur of an iceberg. When I rose to the surface I heard the old man shouting, but I couldn't answer him, and it seems to me that the spur got between us in the first place and then we were separated altogether by the entire berg. I managed to get on a ledge of the berg and maintain myself there by bracing my shoulder against a slight projection overhead. When I thought I was on top the berg would keel over until I found myself on the side, and at one time it turned a complete somersault and threw me once more into the water. I had a good mind to give up then and accept what seemed my fate, but I thought of the folks at home and that my father being probably drowned the family would have to depend on me. So I made another effort. The berg was rolling and presented many sharp points here and there, one of which I seized and by its means lifted myself to the ledge from which I had been thrown.

"Realizing that I could not maintain myself in that position, I climbed once more to the top and this time found myself in a saucer shaped cavity. Whipping out my knife, I hacked away for dear life until I had scooped out a still deeper hollow, and after much hard work I succeeded in gathering quite a pile of pebbles and sea weed, on which I rested my feet. Meantime my body from the waist up was exposed. Even at this I was in danger of falling out or off when the berg rolled over, as it frequently did. I was therefore obliged to be constantly on the alert. Exhausted from my exertions and though fearing that sleep might mean death, I could not resist the drowsiness that came over me; so I fell asleep. When I awoke after a few hours it was night, and the stars were in the sky. Though my hands and feet were numbed, I did not feel as cold as one might imagine. It is useless describing my sensations. I thought of the sad Christmas mother and the kids would pass without me and, perhaps, without the old man, and I prayed to God to save me. I was glad when the morning came—Christmas morning—but I suffered fearfully from hunger and thirst, especially from thirst. Christmas day passed over me like Christmas eve, and at the dawn of the 26th I gave up hope. But one should never despair even though hundreds of miles out at sea on an iceberg, for that evening I was taken off the berg by a boat from the barkentine Sea Serpent, commanded by Captain Ferguson, and bound for the Azores. The captain treated me well, and after staying on the Azores a few weeks I came to New York in a Liverpool brigantine.



"EVEN AT THE TIME I WAS IN DANGER OF FALLING OFF."

"That is about all," concluded the young fisherman from Nova Scotia. "And, say, doctor, I don't want to spend no more Christmas days on a berg."—Washington Post.

Kitty's Christmas Speech.

The church was beautifully decorated with Christmas greens and the air was laden with their odor. As the service was about to begin little Kitty pulled her mother's sleeve and said in an awe stricken tone, "Oh, don't it smell solemn!"—Christian Work.

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Low Fares to Oregon via Pennsylvania Lines.
January 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th, excursion tickets to Portland, Ore., account National Live Stock Association Meeting will be sold via Pennsylvia Lines. Particulars furnished upon application to Ticket Agents of Pennsylvania Lines.

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Christmas presents by the hundreds at the Famous to-morrow.
Coats, Furs, Suits and Skirts at 25 per cent. on the dollar. The last chance, the last Saturday before Christmas for these prices.
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Look through our line of Furs and you will find twice as many Furs to select from as any two stores in Indianapolis. Our prices for to-morrow: Seal Scarfs, six tails, at $1.25. Bear Scarfs, $15.00 values, at $6.50. $20.00 Isabella Fox, to-morrow, $8.50. The largest line of Neck Searfs that was ever shown in the city on sale tomorrow at $1.00, $1.25, $1.75, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $3.50, $4.00, $4.50, $5.00 and up. Don't fail to see them.
Ladies' Coats
235 Jackets to select from at 33 1-3 per cent. less than the original cost. $10.00 Coats at $5.50; $12.00 Coats at $7.00; $15.00 Coats at $7.50; $20.00 Coats at $11.50. Come early and get a Coat.
Ladies' Suits
If you want a Suit, come and get one to-morrow at just half price. $12.00 Suit at $7.50. Choice of any $15.00, $16.00 and $18.00 Suit at $8.75. See for yourself and be your own judge. Silk Skirts, Wool Dress and Walking Skirts at just exactly half price.
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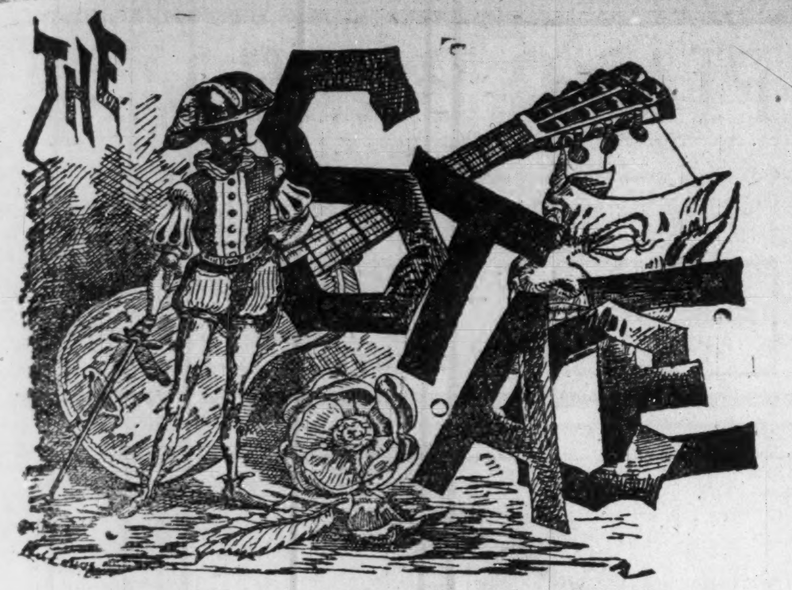

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BILLY KERSANDS' Big Colored Minstrels.—Greenville, Miss., Dec. 28; Winona, 29; West Point, 30; Hattiesburg, 31; Meridian, Jan. 1; Uniontown, 2.

NASHVILLE STUDENTS P. G. LOWERY—Mound City, Ill., Dec 28; Fulton, Ky., 29, 30; Cobden, Ill., 31.

A RABBIT'S FOOT CO.—Georgiana, Ala., Dec. 28; Greenville, 29; Evergreen, 30; Pensacola, Fla., Jan. 1.

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Ladson B. "Kid" Alston died at his home in Columbia, S. C., November 17, after an illness of seven weeks.

Mrs. H. L Housley, of 347 State st., West Philadelphia, wishes all friends a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Paul C. Floyd, a former Indianapolis boy, who has been traveling on the Pacific coast for the last two months in vandeville work, is now on his way home in the East.

Mme. Flower, better known as the "Bronze Melba," will be featured next season under competent management in a musical comedy written especially for her. She will be surrounded by an eminent company of colored artists.

It is to be regretted that Mr. Will Accooe, one of our most talented musicians, still continues in very poor health, especially after having just finished a new comic opera of original composition, which is said to be a fine piece of work.

Sylvester Russell received many encores at his Boston engagement December 14. After the concert he was entertained by Mrs. Cynthia Moses Barnes; he was also the guest of William Henry Davis, of the United States Treasury department. Boston, Mass.

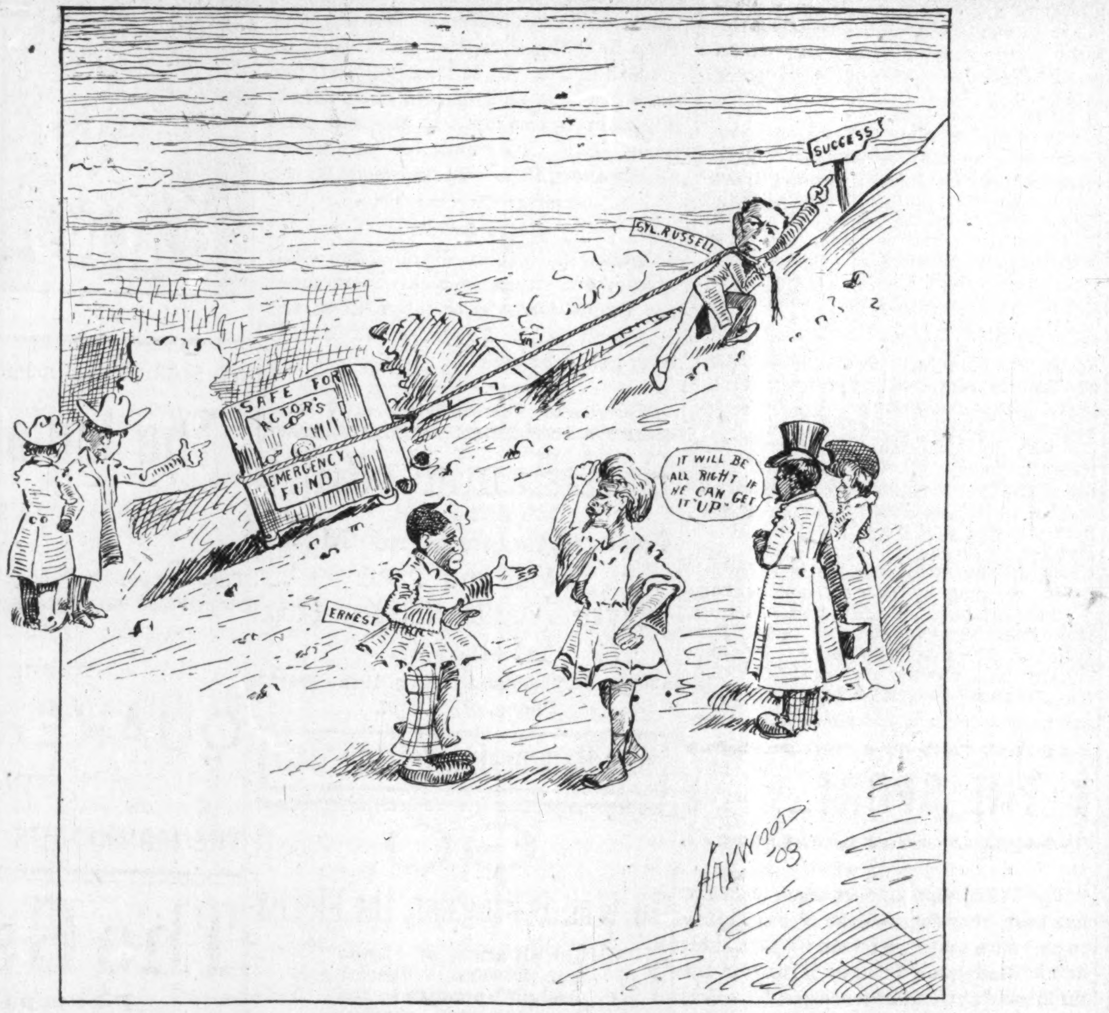
Notes from Birmingham, Ala—Al. Huston, the retired comedian of Alabama, is writing a new ply, entitled a "Derby Day in Africa" Prof. James Ausborn sends regards to Bob Batie and Rich Simmons. Al. Huston sends regards to Henry Troy and Cheatham Lawrence.

"Queen Dora," the serpentine and fire dancer, under the management of J. Turner Wall, has been in a hospital at Deadwood, S. D., for two weeks but she expects to be able to fill a four weeks engagement at the Green Front Palace Theatre, opening January 4. They send regards to Laura Bailey, Chauvine & Patterson, John Rucker, the Patti Co., John H. Smith, R O Henderson and the P. G. Lowery Co.

A musical treat is in store for all lovers of high class music at the English tonight. The bill is the Bostonians in that tuneful opera, "Robin Hood." Two old time favorites, McDonald and Barnabee, who figured in the original cast of that famous organization, will appear. Don't miss this big event simply because you may not have the price of a fancy seat down stairs. Remember the price in the gallery is still 25 cents.

William Benbow wishes to inform his friends that he is still in the land of the living with his company of eight stars. Chas. Hunter is scoring nightly with his song "I Ain't Got no Use for Sleep." Bertha Benbow is making a hit singing "Kiss Yourself Good Bye." Bud Washington is still making good with "The Owl in the Moon." John Walker, of Indianapolis, Ind., is with us and sends regards to all the boys of the Douglass Club. Wm. Benbow sends regards to Ed. Stafford. He is getting his as usual

George W. Chandler, of Mellroy & Chandler's Minstrel, has reorganized under the name of Hooper & Chandler's Sunny South Minstrel and Jubilee Shouters. They will open about May 15 under canvass and tour the South. Mrs. Valerie Gillom, of Marshall, Tex., will be the leading prima donna. A. Pickett, of St. Louis, stage manager. Wm. Hallback and Peoples will hold the two extremes. Haren Wheeler, of Texarkana, will furnish the terrible bass. The company will carry about thirty people.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WELL IT IS UP TO YOU.

P. G. Lowery's Nashville Students are meeting with great success. A grand reception was tendered the entire company by Mr. and Mrs. George Orrendoff at Atlanta, Ill. The company spent December 20 in St. Louis, Mo. Jones & Moppins are preparing a novelty for the stage. Quite a pleasing attraction for first class company. Master George McDade has taken leadership of the orchestra with the Nashville Students. Prof. S. B. Foster closed with the show and has a position in Chicago. The entire company wishes all friends a happy New Year and a merry Xmas.

The subject of this sketch, Mr. James H. Wilson, is one of the best known colored musicians in the country. He has composed and arranged several beautiful pieces of music for the cornet, and as a cornet soloist he stands second to none. Mr. Wilson has traveled extensively throughout this country and Canada with different well known musical organizations. He is now professor of music at the A. and M., College, of Normal, Ala. Mr. Wilson was born in Nicholasville, Ky., December 19, 1880, and after "going through" the public schools at that place he finished his education in the public schools of Cincinnati, O. Mr. Wilson is a constant reader of The Freeman and wishes us with all professional friends a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

OBITUARY.

George Reeves Wilson, of the well-known Wilson Family, is reported to have died December 2 at Los Angeles, Cal., at the age of 34. George R. Wilson was formerly a magician, who, in the state of New Jersey, where he resided, gave many local entertainments. His aptitude as a cake-walker led him to abandon his former vocation to become a comedian. He played over the leading vaudeville circuits of America for several seasons with his wife and two little children with much success. He was also the author of a popular song entitled: "When a Coon Sits in the Presidential Chair." A few years ago his wife died of consumption. Miss Stella Wiley, a popular soubrette, succeeded Mrs. Wilson in the combination for a time, but soon retired. Mr. Wilson's success was never very great after his wife's death, but his little son and daughter were said to be the two cleverest colored children ever seen on the American stage.

Notes of the Original Kersands Big Minstrels—We are still touring the Lone Star State and business continues to be phenomenal, Dallas, Fort Worth, Paris and Sherman following each other in consecutive order with a reception Each town has exhausted the bunch to some extent, but all have enjoyed themselves, as they have had many receptions, balls and private parties given for them. Kersands now running his own enterprise seems to make him more popular with both races than ever before. The ovation that the grand old man of minstrelsy has been tendered would do justice to a king. Our six end men have been called on to do all within their power in an endeavor to satisfy our more than enthusiastic audiences. The Alabama Quartette still leaves the audience in convulsions. Oscar Cameron and David Smith are still making things unpleasant for the "old man in the house of troubles" Kid Langford is rehearsing a new end song that is a "corker." Cook & Jones, the Texas boys, are meeting many friends in their home state. Sidney Kirkpatrick, in his new song "Maybe," is scoring nightly. Jakie Smith and H. S. Wooten are still making good with their ballads. The Housley Brother's musical act still continues to be the leading act. The band and orchestra is the whole thing. Marsh Craig is still the wonder of the age. Mr. and Mrs. Kersands send regards to all professional friends.

Notes of the Excelsior Theatre, Sanford, Fla—This house opened December 1 and the show is doing a big business. Program: Eva Campbell, singing "If You Can't be a Bell-cow, Fall in Behind;" Sonny Campbell, singing, "Sunny Africa;" Jones & Lonton are "Happy Coons" in the South. Flozo Harris sings and makes a big hit with "If You Love Your Baby, Show the White of Your Eyes." Mr. Lattamore, in his funny songs and sayings, keeps them well pleased. Eva Campbell, as mistress of "Malinda's Rag-time Ball," makes good. Flozo Harris closes the olio with her contortion act, which is very clever. All send regards to friends

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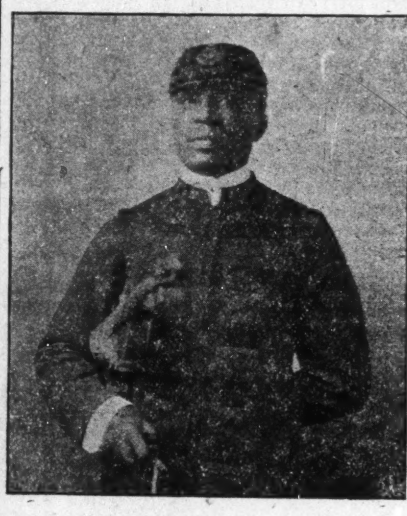

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Holidays That Extend Into the New Year.

While in this country, as in England, Germany and other parts of Europe, the joyous spirit of the Christmas festival is by no means limited to Dec. 25, but finds expression in many ways in the life and amusement of the people both before and after that day itself, comparatively little attention is paid here to the observance of the numerous designated holidays which in other lands go to make up Christmastide. The period opens with St. Thomas' day, which falls on Dec. 21, and closes with St. Distaff's day, on Jan. 7. The first named festival is known in some parts of England as "Doling day," on account of the distribution of the bounty of charitable individuals, and in most English cities at the present time the day is given up largely to the anniversaries of charitable societies and the distribution of benefits among the poor and needy. It is also the day chosen for the election of church officers, a custom adopted here in some denominations, and it appears also from the old rhyme that certain public officials were elected at the same time:

My masters all, this is St. Thomas' day,
And Christmas now can't be far off, you'll say.
And when you to the ward motes do repair
I hope such good men will be chosen there
As constables for the ensuing year
As will not grudge [illegible] watchman good strong beer.

As for St. Distaff's day, which closed the merry round of Christmastide, that anniversary is now rarely observed anywhere, but in the good old times in England it was not the least among the happy festivals of the year. It takes its name from the fact that on this day it was the custom for women to resume for a few hours their labors at the distaff or the spinning wheel. It was sometimes called "Rock day" in honor of the rock, which is another name for distaff.—Leslie's Weekly.

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All the Perplexities of Comedy and Opera, the Actors' Emergency Fund and Other Matters Deftly and Sensibly Commented Upon

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL

'Twixt love, law, and duty, we are past filing our affidavit. The sweet, chiming bells of brotherhood, charity, and legitimacy have sounded an alarm that all the colored actors of the universe must hear. All ears must harken to its calling and all heads must bow to the wisdom of anthropology..

There has been, during the past three years, three branches of stage work, and one important commission—the "emergency" fund—which, after their complete establishment, should not occupy any further sentimental space in these columns than duty would require; that is, if every actor will pledge himself to henceforth do his duty.

The past year, with all its modernized geniuses, has not revealed us anying new or special importance in stage novelty. Many useful actors, however, have been laid up with sickness.

The death of Walter Smart, a comedian of much ability, right in the prime of his life, was quite a blow to the profession. Wallace King, the pride of New Jersey, the greatest tenor singer of his time, and Major Ben Payne, will also be numbered among the missing favorites who have gone to a land "from whose borne no traveler returns."

—The Statistics of Comedy.—

In spite of all that has been written about the legitimate requirements of comedy, some of our most famous actors walk right out, in defiance, in a legitimate theater and talk to an audience across the footlights so long that they forget where the play left off. Negro comedy to-day will never attract the attention of a great manager, unless it is produced in a first-class theater, legitimately.

It matters not how much the people applaud a colored show, its real worth can never escape the eyes of the critics nor the judgment of legitimate managers who look upon it. Colored men (outside of the profession) who have written plays have shown a dreadful lack of instinct. They have written melodramas and uncertain plays of many descriptions and of impossible classification.

These potent defects show that these men have never studied the negro stage traditions—as a study of the race alone will not suffice. With no demand for such plays as I have just described they have found their work to be valueless.

As comedy is the only class of negro plays that will ever be first in demand, there can be no other profitable field for a colored playwright to invade.

The "actor-playwright botchworkers" are not to be blamed for scarcity of material in the comedy stock market; they have been retarded for want of a playwright.

They deserve great credit for putting their own ideas together and producing a play. But they have also stood in the way of men who could really write a better play. They have offered such men no inducements or encouragement. They have been rather impressed with the mistaken idea that they are the chief mechanics of comedy playwrightism, even if they do not have anything new or original to put in the plays. We haven't laughed a bit. Ther has been nothing funny to laugh at this season. The statistics of last season show that a negro comedy suffers by the loss of its stars. Take the original stars out of a "botchworker." comedy and the play drops dead.

Among the actor-playwrights, Bob Cole has the greatest ability and could write successful comedies if he had time. Jesse Shipp belongs to the melodrama school. His apparent ability does not appeal to coon comedy.

There will be no great improvement along until the single-handed comedy playwright comes along. He must pave his own way, break his own ice, pick out and command the attention of his own stars and managers and sacrifice his very soul, almost, to hardheaded actors and ill-bred managers, before he can accomplish the golden reward of his genius.

Then, when the golden streets are paved, he will find himself in greater demand. Then—not till then—can we wonder where we are.

—Grand Opera and Singers.—

Grand opera is to have its inning once more, next May, in New York.

Theodore Drury, like all other singers of his race, is hampered by many obstacles in his endeavor to produce opera. His business ability is not great, but his musical achievements should be encouraged. His next production may be Mascagni's *Cavaleria*. It is to be hoped that Drury will contend for an all-colored company, as such would be the only effort that would give him rank *in toto* in negro stage history.

The Black Patti Troubadours would do well to sing the best operatic choruses in their repertoire oftenest. The beautiful intermezzo prayer by Mascagni, and the Angelus prayer from Maritana could live indefinitely.

Mr. James Worles, tenor singer, was not so good in the sextette from *Lucia* as he was in the prison scene from *Trovatore*. He is a good, robust singer who should improve with careful training. This show needs a good contralto singer, as the sweet voice of pretty Alice Mackey has always been sadly missed, especially in supporting Black Patti in the sextette.

The Black Patti (Sisseretta Jones) now has the distinction of being the first colored star who has ever succeeded in commanding a distinguished white audience in the lower portion of theaters in the Southern States.

But this is no particular compliment to a woman who has sang in New York's most exclusive set, and in Mrs. Astor's private parlor for one thousand dollars.

Cordelia McClain and Hattie Hopkins are the next two most notable singers now prominently before the public. The concert stage is again reviving. Azalia Hackley, a very good dramatic soprano, has just finished a tour of New England. Much of her success was hampered by her lecturing to her audiences. This nearly killed her popularity. No woman star can sing and lecture at the same time, successfully.

There is but one conclusion in such a case. She will find the temperature awfully chilly and threatened with frost.

Susan Belle Anderson, a mezzo-soprano, whose voice is of melodious mezzo quality is now touring Virginia and the South with much success.

Flora Batson, queen of song, is starring with a modern jubilee company.

—Williams and Walker.—

Hurtig and Seamon, Wilailms' and Walker's brave, industrious, painstaking managers, were the wisest of men when they concluded to prospect their two notable stars in Europe. King Edward hailed them with delight, and the London public fairly went wild over them. The individual success of Bert A. Williams was the most assuring feature of the trip. I wrote and told Williams I was sure that he would win out like Dan Daly did. And he did.

Mr. Williams is the greatest genuine negro type of comedian in the world. He has no rivals, and all his imitators have fallen short of their prospectus.

The play, "In Dahomey"—lucky for the play—offered a good joke on King Edward by having a similar character, brushed up by criticism, played by Mr. Walker.

For once in his life, if never again, George W. Walker tasted of things in the king's royal cellar and saw the real king just as he was, in his earthly tabernacle, and found him to be nothing but a man.

Williams and Walker both declared, through the press, that the king was a jolly good fellow. Let us then all wait for some jolly good jokes on their return, fresh from the English kitchen, that will fit well enough in a negro play to be handed out on Broadway and score in New York in the spring, before they reach the West—better guess the rest.

Ada Overton Walker would probably be ready to star by that time, too, if she only had a play; but, no! there is not even a comedy playwright in sight, and there may not be until the actors continue more and more to feel the need of one.

—Among Other Actors.—

Ernest Hogan, in a one-act vaudeville comedy callued the "Misisonary Man," is perhaps the most prominent thing presented in vaudeville this season by colored actors.

Hogan is supported by Miss Mattie Wilkes and R. Henri Strange, a popular, legitimate actor who once appeared as a star in Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice," in Philadelphia and other cities.

It would be useless and unkind to dwell upon the authorship of this play, its "props," or how it was braided up together. Some of the actors know, and that's enough. The first new part of Hogan's performance is original. Hogan has reduced himself to dressing in rags. His songs are all good, and his talk to the audience was not out of place in a variety theater, especially as the author of the piece failed to keep him busy in the play.

To see Hogan sit at a table for thirty minutes chewing on a loaf of bread is a humorous but tiresome addition to his ability as an actor, and his eager delight in fondling a handsome big photograph of himself, as the curtain goes down, would make you dizzy.

Miss Mattie Wilkes, robed in a revised pink satin, sailed about the stage in true but quick dramatic fashion. Although her performance lacked composure, she succeeded in making a good impression in the hardest acting part undertaken by any colored actress this season.

Mr. Strange played a dual role with remarkable ease.

Bob Cole, who was announced last season to star under the management of Voelckel and Nolan, kept too busy to get ready. He and his partners, Rosamond and J. W. Johnson, are so busy writing songs to order that they have even laid aside athletics for a while. Cole and Johnson are also appearing in high-class vaudeville, presenting a legitimate sketch.

Mr. Cole is the foremost general legitimate comedian. As an ex-legitimate comedy star, his general record places him first in rank among negro comedians of America, and the loss his race suffers by his retirement from comedy can hardly be estimated. Irving Jones is another comedian whose skill keeps him employed without interruption.

It has been rumored that Billy Johnson, the original, is to star in comedy, but he is still playing dates.

Avery and Hart, who threatened to star in a new play, are keeping us in suspense also. A "Bogus Prince," by Perrin and Slater, it is said, is being elaborated into a comedy.

Russel Brandow has at last settled down with a new partner, and Stella Wiley is her name.

Martin Henry, who has had her name very much in evidence lately as Mrs. Smart, has joined hands with George Williams for a new team of Smart and Wiliams.

Belle Davis, Gogin and Davis, Johnson and Dean, and "one" Billy Farrell love to stay in Europe. When Williams and Walker return, let us hope the European fever will be over.

The great popularity enjoyed by the minstrel organizations throughout the West and Southwest is encouraging. Desdunes and Harris, of Gideon's Minstrels, are chief among Western teams, who have a right to be seen on the Keith & Proctor circuits next summer. Tom McIntosh, who made his stellar debut in the "Smart Set" company, succeeding Earnest Hogan, met only with a moderate success. William Nichols scored as a mimic in the Black Patti Troubadours, and Anthony Byrd made his initial bow as a stage mammy. He proved to be well built for the part, but failed to look the character.

—Charity Fund for Actors.—

The "emergency fund" proposition having been submitted for general approval among actors, it would be a wise problem for those who have not contributed to do so at once. This is the last chance. It is quite necessary that every actor do his or her duty with a willing spirit. Every doubt regarding the operations of the fund should be cast aside. It is worth one dollar to every actor to see how it will be operated. Give it a fair trial. Let not your hearts be troubled. Let no five-cent actor torment your mind with ignorance regarding the appropriation of the money you give. If your brain is puffed up with empty gas and your mind worried about the "sinking fund," please keep your money. If you give your money your tongue will run. If you think that by giving your money your tongue will run, you had best keep your money and hold your tongue. This is the conclusion I am bound to draw with every actor whose heart is weak and whose generosity is light. This charity fund trial requires no deep study. Any actor who hesitates and worries in his mind about it is silly. The commission of Mr. Geo. L. Knox and Elwood C. Knox as treasurer and secretary, respectively, has been thrust upon them in the proposition, the same as other appointments. There has been no consultation with them or any actor or living person in framing the proposition. Consequently, if the actors succeed in indorsing the proposition by a contribution large enough to establish the fund, the officers are all installed. Being approved of by all who have contributed, they are kindly requested to remain in office. The development of the fund, which we shall surely establish after January 1, 1904, should grow and speedily prosper. We will later need big benefit performances. We will need a music publishing house to support a home, and we will need a home. But let us do one thing at a time, and if we do that well and do it harmoniously, we may be able to soon venture a little farther. We are fast reaching the true atmosphere of unionism. What a blessing! What a glorious tribute to a worthy undertaking! Let the Freeman be praised!

THE SPORT....

The Philadelphia sport, Jack O'Brien, has been busy for several weeks trying to pull off a match between Fitzsimmons and Philadelphia Tommy Ryan for the middleweight championship. The Cornishman has not as yet committed himself on the proposition.

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"Kid" Carter, who played the role of chopping block in a bout with Marvin Hart at Louisville May 3 1902, has had time to catch his wind and say that he wants another chance to have Hart give him a severe drubbing There is an old saw which reads, "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread."

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Al Herford, manager of Joe Gans, says that Sam Langford, the colored fighter, of Boston, is not the lightweight champion, although he succeeded in getting a decision over Gans. Herford says Langford was over the lightweight limit when he fought Gans. Champion Jim Jeffries agrees with Herford in his claim.

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Buddy Ryan, in his recent go in Chicago with that game little man, Henry Fagin, in the fourth round of which Fagin was floored three times, the bell alone saving m from a knock-out, has gained a "rep" that will keep him going some, as there are dozens upon dozens of fights in his class now clamoring to land heavily in his bread basket.

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James J. Corbett is allowed more jawing in the daily papers than is considered good form. A few weeks ago, before Fitz. sent Gardner back to the tall timber, Corbett was begging for a match with lanky Bob. Fitzsimmons, thinking him serious, offered to fight him as soon as his hands were well; but Monologue Jim now claims Fitz is too "feeble" for him to take on.

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The recent bout between Jack Johnson and Sandy Ferguson at San Francisco was a very dismal affair, Johnson plainly showing that he really had no claims to a championship battle with a man like Jeffries, whose most forceful arguments for his refusal to meet the colored fighter has been that Johnson has not got the punch and had never had a record as a knocker-out. And Jeffries is right. Ferguson would show up as well, and probably better, against Jeff as Johnson.

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"Young Peter Jackson," who now makes Baltimore his home instead of Denver, is assisting Joe Gans and Senator Gorman in keeping the name of the City of Oysters prominently before the world. He knocked out Bob Long, a Chicago colored pug, in eleven rounds of what was to have been a twenty-round bout at Baltimore several days ago Jackson is a middleweight, and though out-classed in point of weight, we believe he would put up a stiffer fight against Jefferies than either Johnson or Ferguson. We once saw him scrap in Omaha and he works like a machine in good order, and fights like a demon.

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Jack ("Kid") Blackburn, an Indianapolitan but now a Philadelphian by adoption, has gone down East and taken on Champion Joe Gans in a fight declared a draw, but which most of the spectators agreed should have gone to the ex-Hoosier. Blackburn has been offerred a fifteen-round go with Sam. Langford, the Boston colored scrapper, who has his cross and skull bones enlarged because he was recently given a decision over Gans. Blackburn has also grown chesty and wants another crack et Gans, likewise Langford. Gans will fight both. Both Blackburn and Langford are clever fighters, but Gans is a thinker as well as a wonderful fighter, and has drawn them into a trap by which he intends to knock their blocks off when he meets them.

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The Methodist Episcopal churches are asked this year to give $281,480 for Christian education in the South, among both white and colored people.

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Booker T. Washington lectured in New York City, at Cooper Union Hall, December 10, for the benefit of the Colored Men's Branch of the Y. M. C. A.

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The Tuskegee Negro Farmer's Conference is to be held February 17, and the Workers' Conference convenes on the following day. An unusually large attendance is expected.

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Bishop Tyrne has appointed Rev. N. B. Stewart as financial agent to raise funds to rebuild Campbell College at Jackson, Miss., which was totally destroyed by fire in October.

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Master Harry Field Gibbs, a five-year-old Boston lad, is the newest musical prodigy. He has had but three months' training, yet is said to be a pianist of wonderful promise.

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The Elizabeth Williams Oriental Empire stock company is the name of a New York aggregation that was booked to produce "the Wages of Sin" at Ebling's Casino December 17.

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The Clarence Roy Buffalo Gold Mining Company, made up of colored stockholders and having headquarters at Seattle, Wash., is said to have "struck it rich" in Central Idaho.

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Harry T. Burleigh, the New York vocalist, has composed a new and popular song entitled "Jean." It is published by the William Maxwell Music Co., 8 East 16th street, New York.

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Major R. R. Maton, disciplinarian and commandant of cadets at Hampton Institute, visited Tuskegee recently, and was highly entertained by Principal and Mrs. Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett J. Scott, and others.

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Hon. Judson W. Lyons, Registrar of the Treasury, was principal speaker at a dinner given in Brooklyn, N. Y., December 18, by the Business Men's Club. Sumner H. Lark presided over the exercises.

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Judge Robert H. Terrell, of Washington, D. C., delivers an Emancipation day address at Jacksonville, Fla., January 1, by urgent invitation of Hon. J. Douglas Wetmore, Sylvanus F. Hart and other distinguished citizens.

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The Order of St. Luke, Richmond, Va., has opened its savings bank and took in seventy-five thousand dollars the first day. Mrs. Maggie L. Walker is president of the institution, and is probably the only woman serving as bank president in the country.

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Nail Brothers, New York, have opened a magnificent restaurant in their Sixth Avenue building, which will add greatly to the popularity of the place and afford refreshment for colored patrons in the shopping districts and for visitors to the city.

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Rev. Ralph Amos, president and general manager of Montrose (Ark.) Male and Female Industrial and Agricultural School, is in the North soliciting funds for the completion of the buildings of that institution. The Montrose School is two years old and has eight-two pupils, with 1,640 acres of land to work upon.

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Prof. G. W. Carver, director of the Tuskegee Experiment Station, has issued a bulletin describing the uses of cowpeas. To the general public, who is unaquainted with this important article of food, Mr. Carver's explanation of twenty-five ways in which cowpeas may be cooked and used will be decidedly interesting.

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The Douglass Afro-American Press Agency has been organized at Providence, R. I., to handle newspapers, magazines, and books published by Negroes. Its officers are Fillmore R. Purnell, business manager and treasurer; John H. Maddox, secretary; William P. H. Freeman, advertising solicitor, and William Ward, superintendent.

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In the home of every colored American the name of John F. Slater is a household word. He immortalized himself by his munificent gift of $1,000,000 for the education of the black people of the South. The influence of that gift is bearing rich fruit year by year in the education of thousands of men and women who would otherwise remain in ignorance.

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The Vorhees Industrial School, at Denmark, S. C., is reinforced this year by the addition of the following Tuskegee Institute people to its list of teachers: R. S. Little, superintendent of carpentry; Miss Lucinda Gilbert in charge of girls' industries, and Leonard Boyd in charge of printing. The school has lately been presented with about three thousand dollars' worth of fine stock, including a registered Hambletonian stallion.

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Tuskegee graduates are in evidence at the Topeka (Kansas) Industrial School. It has Mrs. Bessie Roam Taylor as superintendent of girl's industries; James F. Brock in charge of tailoring, and Sumner George in charge of carpentry. The school has lately moved out upon its new location, a ten-thousand-dollar farm, purchased not long ago. It is crowded with students and many have been refused because of lack of room.

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A few days ago the distinguished financier and philanthropist, Mr. George Foster Peabody, carried to Tuskegee Institute a party of his friends, in his special car, "The Courier." In the party were Dr. Charles Cuthbert Hall, president of the Union Theological Seminary, and his wife; Mr. Peabody's brothers, Royal and Charles E. Peabody, with their wives, son and daughter; Miss Hewitt, niece of Mr. Ewdin M. Shepherd, of New York; Mr. Edwin M. Bulkeley, Mr. Peabody's business associate, and several others interested in educational and missionary work.

EQUALITY HUMBUG

ALARMING PHASE IN THE NEGRO'S CONDITION DISCUSSED

POINTING TO THE HIGHER LIFE

Classes, not Masses is the Fundamental Foundation Upon Which Prejudice Should be Based—A Study of the Other Side.

The alarming features of this interminable race agitation is that it brings the Negro, who has had but very few years of opportunity, into too minute inspection. I question very seriously the advisability of reaching early conclusions on many points concerning the Negro's condition in America or elsewhere, as long as color prejudice ranchors in the bosom of our greater population, and the harsh decrees of many come by borrowed speculation and presumption, often the result of not thinking at all. The vices of races, like those of individuals, find the public ready, every willing to condemn, when the virtues of races, like those of individuals, are seldom, if ever, chronicled in the public press.

I have often, however, noted the charity that seems to dominate editorials from time to time in the Inter-Ocean and other journals of our city. I believe people know very little of the better element of my race. I am sure our intellectual and social functions do not materially concern the better element of the white race and the natural sequence is that when the better element of the white race condemns Negroes they spend their levity not on the better element of the colored race, but upon those less inclined to right rules of living; between which class and our better element there are some laudable points of difference.

If this inspection is to continue the self-respecting Negro contends that it shall not begin with the crap shooter and end with the winner of the cake-walk. He contends that it shall not begin with the supposedly self-confessed rapist and end with the pistol "toter." There are hundreds of Negro men and women in Chicago who, for culture and refinement and trained in all these words imply, who read the best books, magazines, daily papers, agitate the highest principles, discuss all the ics, isms, ologies of science, literature, religion and art, who are in the higher reals of civilized life, ethical, because they have imbibed high and ennobling principles; inculcated the truer doctrines of life and right living. All the time menaced only by so-good an environment that vouch-safes this happy relation and order. It is not fair to level this element to the average of any race. It could only be sustained by ignorance and prejudice, and while no doubt a credulous public may not always be generous, it is at least hoped that too much is not expected of the entire race in forty years time. It has produced men and women whose intelligence and piety can withstand the trying ordeals of harsh criticism, and retire from the scene unrebuked, but on the contrary with their honorary degrees from the best colleges.

The class I have just described are not looking about them for any social equality to break into. They are satisfied among their own kind, and fully believe no white person could get in among this class on good behavior, even with all the appurtaniences of culture, education, wealth and a white skin, unless by taking the solemn marriage vows, and this phase of the matter is not courted.

The better class of my race are not what people so style a '400" any more than a less significant figure. They are those of the race whose color, rather than their qualities, excite unbecoming prejudice so general among the illiterate of all the other races and stand for the principles so ably advocated by Dr. W. E. B. Dubois, Dr. Booker T. Washington and Prof. W. H. Councill. The educated and refined element of the race in the South is the cause of so much unrest and uneasiness. It forces a most peculiar situation—a situation which I shall endeavor to explain in a subsequent letter.

M. A. MAJORS M. D.

Educational Notes.

Rev. H. L. Herod of the Christian church of Indianapolis, Ind, will be supported by a fund of $10,000 raised by his white friends for carrying on an institutional work

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Hon. James R. Spurgeon, '90, who has been secretary of the American Legation in Liberia since '98, has returned to this country for a short visit. Mr. Spurgeon has been a member of the Supreme Court of Kentucky as well as of that of Liberia. On his return to Africa in December he will accept the position of Superintendent of Public Instruction for Liberia.—The Southern Workman.

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Fifteen members of the class of 1903 have returned to Hampton for post-graduate work; five are teaching rural schools; Thomas L. Browne is instructor in blacksmithing at Union University, Richmond, Va., John B. Claytor is studying medicine at Shaw University, Lorenzo E Hall is in charge of the farm work at Mt. Meigs, and P. J. Williams has returned to his position as instructor of wheelwrighting and blacksmithing at the Slater School, Winston Salem, North Carolina

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Walden University, Nashville, Tenn., suffered a great loss in life and property by fire, which took place Friday night, Dec 18th. The fire broke out in the Tennessee Central College for Women, a department of Walden University, at midnight. The building was four stories high and was occupied by about sixty students. It had no fire escapes and a wild stampede followed the alarm, the inmates jumping from the windows in droves. The south side of the grounds, under the windows, was literally lined with the injured. The greatest confusion prevailed

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The institution was established under the name of the Tuskegee State Normal School by an act of the Alabama Legislature, session of 1880, appropriating two thousand dollars. The institution was opened, for its first session, July 4 1881, in a rented shanty church, with thirty pupils in attendance, and with but one teacher. In 1883 the appropriation was increased to three thousand dollars, and in 1893 the institution was incorporated under the name of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute. During the first session of the school, the present location, consisting at that time of one hundred acres, with three small buildings thereon, was purchased by Northern friends.

THE "MOSES" OF THE NEGROES

Editor Freeman—Allow me to make a few suggestions, through your paper, owing to malicious attacks made upon the "Moses" of the Negro race, Prof. Booker T. Washington, by a few would-be leaders who hope to bring themselves into prominence by attacking him. Prof. Washington, nor any one one else, claim that his theory of education for the Negro will cure all of his ills, because they are many. The truth is the Negro is a very sick man, and he is sick, too, in his three-fold nature—mind, soul and body. In other words, he is ignorant, sinful and poor; therefore no one kind of education will complete the Negro. This the thinking people of both races understand. Public opinion has given the church the special work of redeeming the soul of the Negro race. To the universities and colleges the work has been given to develop the mind of the Negro race; it, then, follows the industrial schools have been given the work of bringing the mind in contact with the forces of nature in an intelligent way so as to make mind master of matter for the highest and best use for mankind.

Now, which is the best education for the Negro race in its present stage of development—intellectual, spiritual or industrial—is purely a matter of conjecture since the highest development of the race cannot be attained without all of them. That being true it is simply ridiculous for the promoters of these different educations to go before an intelligent public in a war of words about the different educational creeds. I am glad to say that our great leader, Prof. Washington, has set all the race leaders (?) a good example by not resorting to "mud-slinging" about the different kinds of educations and their value. The truth is Prof. Washington has gone straight forward preaching his wholesome gospel of industrial education for the masses of the race with a marvelous success to show for his having preached. He can truthfully say to the other educators and the race as Christ said to the Pharisees—"If you do not believe me, believe me for my work's sake" Prof. Washington has simply magnified his work that he was given to do! Any other educator or leader of the race is privileged to magnify his given work if he desires. The race of life is open to all. The truth is Prof. Washington has the cake and the other fellows want it.

I say frankly to all the educators of the race you are doing a noble work and your efforts, however weak and unheralded, has its place in the rapid growth of race development. There was but one Solomon, one Moses, one Abraham Lincoln and one George Washington, so there cannot be but one Booker Washington. The best any one can do is to follow the Scripture citation—"Whatsoever thy hands find to do, do it with all thy might." To let us know that the education that brings the best results is the best. Yours for the best interest of the race.

B. T. HARVEY

Peru, Indiana.

Hot-Springs Notes.

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.—Below are the names of the waiters employed in the dining department of the Majestic hotel, one of the finest and most modern built hotels in the South: T. W Hawthorne, of Boston, Mass., head-waiter; Henry F. Foster, Lewis Williams, Walter Thompson, S. A. Whitlow, E W. Barron, Don Rodgers, Rob. McLemore, Arthur Sanford, J. O. Taylor, John Bailey, Price Dooley, A. K Nance, B. Coleman, J. A. Bell, John Belton, S. L. Smith, Chas. Clifton, A Warfford, C. H. Parzar, I C. Jordan, John Bacon, J. D. Madison, E. B. Chambers, Ed. Scott, A F. Baskin, E. J. Dixon and John Bacon. The Freeman can be found every Saturday at Fred Robert's boot black parlor on Malvern avenue, No. 16 H. F Foster, general agent.

Jackson Items.

Jackson, Mich., Special.—December 20 is quarterly meeting. A few of our Jackson ladies are planning to organize a "Leisure Hour Club" The childern are anticipating a fine program for Christmas. A large number of our Jackson young people attended the dance at Albion Thursday evening. Mr Frank Fields, of Albion, was in the city last week. Anyone desiring The Freeman will please call on our agent, Miss Flossie M. Johnson, 259 East Washington street.

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CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

Mr. George G. Simmons is ill at this writing.

Several box parties have been formed to attend the Mikado.

Miss Clara Easton, who has been ill for the past week, is much improved.

Mesdames L W. Allen and Bettie Gibbs will spend the holidays in the city of Louisville.

The Euthumian entertainment at Bethel church, Thursday night, the 10th, was a success.

Miss Sallie Sims returned from Union City en route to Edinburg to spend the holidays with her parents.

Services were held at Bethel church Christmas day. Select music was furnished by the vested choir.

Miss Flora M. Harper is spending the holidays with her siste., Mrs. Dr. D. H. Brown, 754½ Indiana avenue.

Mr. Wm. Allison left the city Thursday for Paris, Ky., where he will spend ten days with relatives and friends.

Harrison Dawson, 927 N. Tremont avenue, sustained a painful injury to his hand while at his work last week.

Miss Eurus R. Carr, of Terre Haute Normal School, will spend the holidays with Mrs T. V. Johnson in Minervia street.

Mr. Edward Stone died Wednesday at his home, 229 Allegheny street, after an illness of three weeks of typhoid-malaria.

Mr. Guy Weaver will spend the holidays with his parents and friends in Marion. Master Robert Williams will accompany him.

Services will be held at the Alpha Home, Sunday, from 3 to 4 p. m. under the auspices of the King's Messengers" of Bethel church.

Clara L. Roach and Lile O. Baker were married at St. Paul Episcopal church, Wednesday evening, Rev. Lewis Brown officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Levels, 812 Muskingum street, start next week on their wedding tour, touching at Detroit, Buffalo and New York.

Grant Johnson is president of the Students' Literary Society of the Manual Training High School with Miss Mabel Roper, secretary.

Mrs. Hattie Fox and son of Louisville are in the city to spend the holidays with her mother and sister, Mrs. Susan and Miss Hattie Taylor.

Mrs. A. B. Cary of Valparaiso and Miss Ethel Sanderlane of Pittsburg, Pa, will visit Mrs. L. Williams and daughter during the holidays.

There has been quite a heavy demand for seats for the Mikado next Monday night, but there are good seats yet on sale at Pink's pharmacy.

The reserved and box seats for the Mikado are selling rapidly. They are on sale at Pink's pharmacy, corner of Indiana avenue and West street.

The next great attraction will be the opera Mikado and promenade concert at Tomlinson Hall, Monday night, Dec. 28th, under the auspices of St. Philip's Mission.

Master Robert Williams entertained a party of club members Monday night. Many were present and the evening was pleasantly spent with games. Dainty refreshments were served.

"Mr. Shakespeare at School," a most delightful farce, will be presented by the young ladies of the Ninth Presbyterian church, Wednesday, Dec. 30, at 8.30 p. m. Admission 10c.

Mrs. Effie M Stewart, of Toledo, O., is spending the holiday visiting relatives and friends in the city. She is stopping with her sister, Mrs. Sadie Barnett, 424 West North street.

A meat market and grocery store is a new business venture by Thomas G Bramlette, colored. Mr. Bramlette learned and worked at the butcher's trade in Nashville, Tenn. He looks forward to a generous patronage.

Mr. Thomas Bowman, a well known and respected citizen died Monday evening, after an illness lasting eight weeks The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Sissle at Simpson Chapel, of which he was a member, Wednesday at 2 p. m. A wife and three children are left.

Miss Nancie Sweenie, of Louisville, Ky., and Mr. Henry Trevan were married Thursday evening the 17th, at the home of the groom's parents. The wedding was, indeed, a pretty one and many friends were in attendance. Many beautiful and valuable presents were received, and a dainty menu was served. The happy couple will reside in this city.

Mr. Alfred Banks, who was for years a resident of this city, is now living in Pensacola. Fla, where he hopes to regain his health. Mr. Banks is missed from his familiar haunts here, where he had built a beautiful home, in which he lived until the death of his faithful wife. We wish for Mr. Banks a return of health and will welcome a speedy home coming.

Dr. A. H. Chase, M D. D. D, late of Cape Colony, South Africa, and a native of Bristol, England. was in the city this week, the guest of Rev. C. H. Johnson, pastor of the Baptist church. Dr. Chase spoke at both morning services last Sunday. He lectured Monday evening on the conditions in South Africa as regards the natives. Dr. Chase is of West Indian parentage and a graduate of Cambridge, England.

Paul Laurence Dunbar, the inimitable poet of "Negro Folklore," who, in his yet brief career, has compelled the admiration of the literary world, appeared before an Indianapolis audience at Bethel church, in a recital for the first time since 1894. Mr. Dunbar read in a way that he only can several of his choicest selections to an appreciative audience, which was largely composed of admiring whites. On Tuesday evening he appeared at public school No. 24 at the instance of the principal, Prof. M. G. Gilliam. While here Mr. Dunbar was the guest of Dr. J. H. Ward, who entertained him with an elaborate reception Tuesday evening at his excellent parlors, 435½ Indiana avenue. An excellent program was rendered during the evening by Misses Naive Coleman, Lulu Smith and Frank F. Brown, tenor; Profs. R. B. Shelton and Fred Anderson, pianists. Mr. Dunbar read several selections to the supreme satisfaction of those present. Indianapolis is ever ready to listen to Mr. Dunbar.

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The Flanner Guild.

The Xmas number of the Flanner Guild program promises to be a rare treat, and no one can fail to miss it. Among the numbers will be a solo, Miss Lulu Smith; cornet solo, Mr. Wisdom; address, Rev. Herrod; music, quartet, Southside; recitation, Miss Clay; Delsarte; music.

Prof. Wm. F. Cooper, of the Evansville high school, will be the guest of friends during the Xmas week, and while here will assist in a benefit for the Flanner Guild. Prof Cooper possesses a voice of rare beauty. and it will indeed be a treat to hear him.

NOTICE.

The union installation of the U B. of F.'s and S. M. T.'s will be held Friday night, Jan., 1st at Friendship hall, corner Del., and Court-st Officers will be installed by State Grand Master, Dr. W. E. Brown The committee of arrangement assures all a pleasant and enjoyable time. All members of the order are requested to be present, and a cordial invitation is extended to the public. Come prepared to eat, refreshments in abundance; no charges for admission, music. Ernest McAfee, Chairman Committee, Lon Hizer, Secretary.

THE Y. M. C. A.

The work of the association is gradually picking up, and each day shows improvement Many good things are being planned for the future. Much interest is shown in the round table and literary talks. An oratorical contest is being planned. Sunday afternoon, Dec. 27th, at 3:30 the Rev. J. Young will read a paper in the association parlors. All men are welcome, especially strangers Open house will be held New Years from 6 to 9 p. m. The public is invited.

Trustees of Metropolitan A. M. E. Church Forward Letter.

The following letter has been sent to Booker T. Washington by the Trustees of the Metropolitan A M E Church. The letter specifically refers to a statement sent to a Boston newspaper by a jaundiced correspondent here. One by one the methods employed in the campaign of defamation by the Boston newspaper are exposed:

Metropolitan A. M. E Church,
Washington, D. C., Dec 4, 1903.

Hon Booker T. Washington, Tuskegee, Alabama:

Dear Sir—Doubtless you have noticed in the Boston Guardian of Nov. 28th an article having reference to an invitation extended to you by Mr. Henry Lassiter as Trustee of the Metropolitan Church to deliver a lecture at some future date in said church.

We, the undersigned trustees, beg to say that the article referred to has no foundation whatever, and doubtless it was inspired by some jealous or unfriendly person. Some time during the month of July last we authorized Mr. Lassiter to extend to you an invitation to speak for us at our church; the invitation was extended because we sincerely wished you to come. Mr. Lassiter retired from the board of trustees in the early part of November, and before doing so the trustees passed another resolution authorizing Mr. Lassiter to extend to you another invitation to come to our city and deliver an address, and also authorized him to make all necessary arrangements with you provided you concluded to come. Since Mr. Lassiter has in the past been very successful in arranging for such entertainments, and as he also originally made the suggestion that you be invited to come, the trustees thought it proper that the matter should be left in his hands as the one most capable of carrying it through successfully. We, therefore, beg of you to pay no attention to such articles as the one referred to It is our profound wish that you should be with us Trusting that this will find you in good health and with our best wishes for your success, we are

Very truly yours,

John A. Simms, Jeff H. Clark,
B. Alex Chase, E Murray,
Clement Dorsey, M Honesty,
William Beckett, J. A. McDffie, M. D.

Christmas in the West Indies is very well observed. To meander about among palm trees or orange groves and fields of sugar cane on Christmas day, with the thermometer at 90 degrees in the shade, certainly has the zest of novelty to a northerner. If you are in the British West Indies on Christmas day your attention will be most attracted in all the Christmas gatherings of which you form a part, whether in the streets, the home or the church, by the close association of whites and blacks. The "color line" is not a live question.

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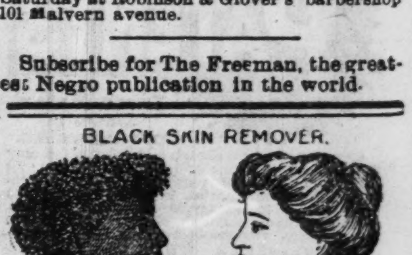
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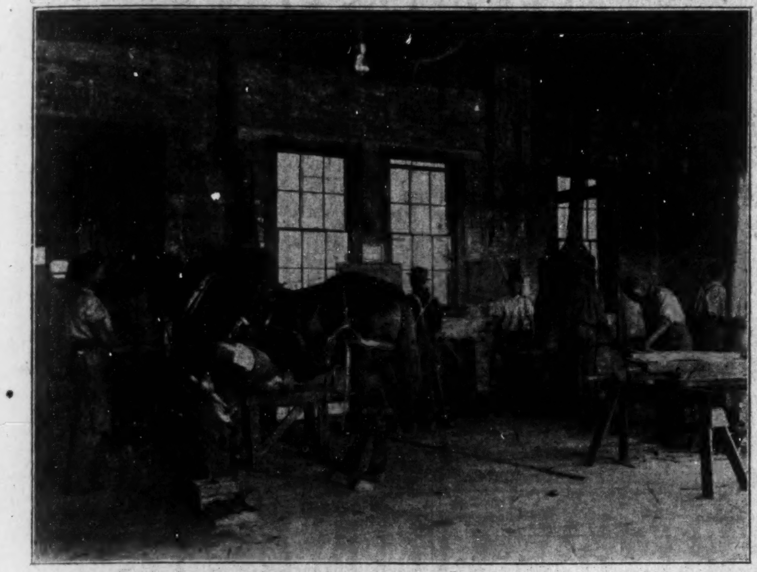
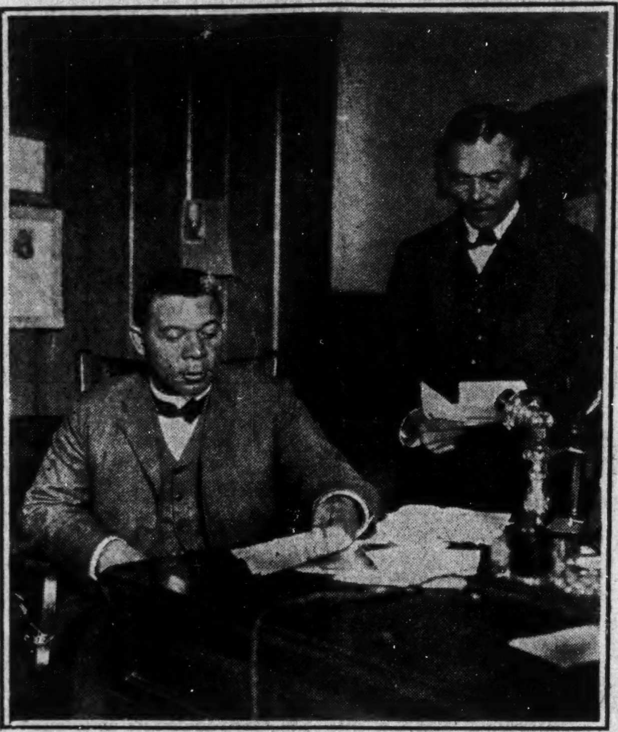
TUSKEGEE--THE EDUCATIONAL CITADEL. THE LITTLE CITY IN STATE OF ALABAMA.

Big in the Affairs of Industrialism--Prof. Booker T. Washington's Faith in the Soil as a Support--Agriculture a Science.

More attention is being given to the subject of scientific agriculture at this time than ever before. Great institutions for teaching agricultural science are being established and developed throughout the country. Magazines and books and newspapers are urging a return to the soil, while vast sums of money are being spent by agricultural colleges for agricultural extension work among farmers. The South has resisted the appeal longer than any other section, and yet it stands more in need of improved agriculture in all its forms than any other section. There is wide awakening now to this fact on the part of its thinking citizens.



A CORNER OF THE BLACKSMITH SHOP, TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE.



DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON AND EMMETT J. SCOTT, HIS PRIVATE SECRETARY.

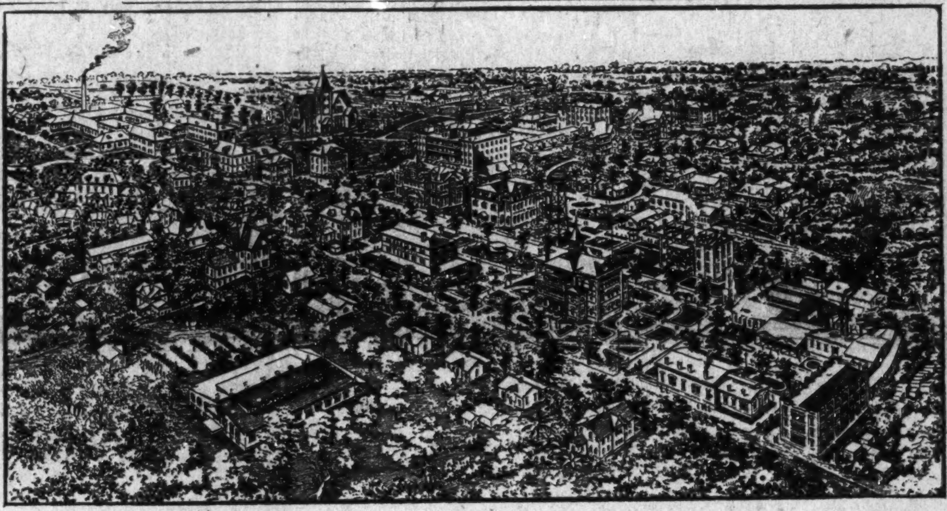
A VIEW OF THE LABORATORY, TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE.

It is especially fitting that the Tuskegee Institute should give some attention to this important line of work. Eighty-five per cent. of the Negroes of the South are to depend upon agriculture in some of its forms for a living. The especial need heretofore has been for men—and women, too, for that matter—who could point the way toward the development of the endless resources which are about the doors of the great masses of the Negroes of the South. Tuskegee has recognized the importance of proper agricultural instruction in its highest forms, and is developing a department which is destined to prove of incalculable service, not only to the Negro of the South, but to the South itself as well. Seven hundred acres of land comprised in the "home farm," and eight hundred acres comprised in "Marshall farm," located three miles from the institution, and until recently held by the school, afford splendid opportunity for the working out of theoretical and practical problems in agriculture. Very recently the school acquired some eight hundred additional acres of land, and concentrating all of its agricultural interests right at the school.

CLASS IN BASKETRY, TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE.

The products raised are used in the boarding department of the school. Besides, an experiment station, supported by the State of Alabama, affords the opportunity for varied scientific experiments. Bulletins are regularly issued from this department, and a perusal of them indicates that especially good work is being done and will continue to be done by this important division in agriculture experimentation. The chief aim of the department is to make the instruction practical as well as scientific. From the beginning special prominence has been given to all forms of work connected with the cultivation of the soil. The young men who are in the department, by actual work on the farm in raising the food supplies, caring for stock, fruit and other products, become intelligent and successful farmers.

In 1897 a splendid building, costing $10,000, was built and equipped for teaching both practical and scientific agriculture. A $5,000 addition has since been made to this building, and two splendidly equipped barns, costing $5,000 each, one for the dairy herd and the other for the horses and mules belonging to the institution, prove valuable helps to the department. With this splendid equipment in the way of buildings and latest improved implements, the school is able now, more than ever, to do the best and most practical work.



BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF THE GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS, TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE.

Of the man in charge of the Department of Agriculture, Mr. George W. Carver, a graduate of the Iowa State Agricultural College, of Ames, Ia., it can be said that he is a man who has won his spurs as a master agriculturalist. Mr. Carver received the degree of Master of Agriculture from this college of agriculture while Hon. Jas. Wilson, the present Secretary of Agriculture, was Dean of the Agricultural Department. The Secretary has the completest confidence in Mr. Carver's ability, and continues the pleasant relations now that existed when he, as teacher, and Mr. Carver, as pupil, were at Ames together. As a teacher he is especially helpful and forceful. The educational experts who recently visited Tuskegee as members of the Robert C. Ogden party expressed themselves as being delighted at the splendid way in which he handled his classes, which are taken directly into the field for practical instruction, in addition to the laboratory practice they receive. He is able to arouse in the students a desire for knowledge of what agriculture means, and, in keeping his students interested and delighted, at the same time imparts to them useful and important knowledge.

As has been intimated, work is carried on in the laboratory and in the field. The laboratory work is simple and easily understood by the students. It consists of an analysis of the various soils for the purpose of learning order to make them more productive. This enables pupils to make a proper what elements need to be supplied in selection of fertilizers. Fertilizers are also tested to find their composition. Feeds are tested to find those best adapted to fat, milk or to muscle. There is also practical analysis of all dairy products, milk, butter and cheese, and a comprehensive study of foreign and native forage plants. All the scientific knowledge is carried daily into the fields and into the practical work of the various divisions of the department.

Mr. Robert M. Attwell is the superior superintendent of the farm, and personally directs the actual work of the department. He has brought the department far forward since his appointment.

During Principal and Mrs. Washington's visit to England, in the summer of 1899, they visited the famous Swanley Agricultural College for Women, and were led, on their return, to inaugurate the lighter forms of agriculture for young women at Tuskegee. Instruction is now given young women in dairying, poultry raising, horticulture, floriculture, market gardening and live-stock raising. The course of study extends over two years, and young women who complete the course have a satisfactory knowledge of how to conduct a small dairy, also how best to care for poultry, how to care for an orchard and raise small fruits of the best quality, etc. They are taught how to lay out and beautify dooryards, how to care for the shrubbery and flowers and what especial treatment to apply; how to manage a home garden and how to raise upon it products which will prove most easily marketable; how to care for live stock, etc. A poultry house has been constructed and well equipped with brooders and incubators. There is no reason why Southern colored women should not take advantage of the splendid opportunities along these lines and become helpful and useful in these outdoor occupations, which offer such rich rewards.

For young men the course is more extended, and includes a complete and satisfactory course in all the divisions of agriculture. The divsion of dairying has proved especially successful. Requests have reached the principal of the school from more than two hundred persons during the past year for graduates from this division. One of the largest Southern creameries recently made a request for five graduates of the dairy division to take charge of all its departments. If, instead of the eighty young men and women who have been in the agricultural department during the past year taking the professional course, three times as many were receiving instruction, employment could easily be secured for all of them. In addition to the eighty referred to, 205 students took the theoretical course.

The effort at Tuskegee is made to awaken among the students an interest in agricultural life, so that it may not come to be regarded as a drudgery, as something to be shirked. No visitor to the school can fail to be impressed with the great work which is being done along agricultural lines; absolutely nothing is overlooked that will afford the student the best opportunity to make himself most helpful, if he only devotes himself earnestly.

The agricultural exhibit at the close of the last school term was impressive as an object lesson. Nearly a hundred beautiful milch cows stood in the neat, clean stalls. Outside were home-raised colts, blooded hogs, sheep, calves, chickens, turkeys and geese. In a large room was arranged, in nice order, a great variety of grains, fodder and vegetables. In one corner was a model dairy in full operation. Visitors saw the milk pass to cream and the cream to beautiful cakes of yellow butter, ready for market or table. There were Italian bees in glass hives, cakes of new white honey, and all the implements of bee culture. A large incubator was filled with eggs, from which chickens were constantly dropping; other chickens were in brooders. A large room was devoted wholly to an exhibit of improved agricultural implements. Many went away impressed as they never had been before with the practical value of the cow, of chickens, of pigs, the garden and the farm generally.

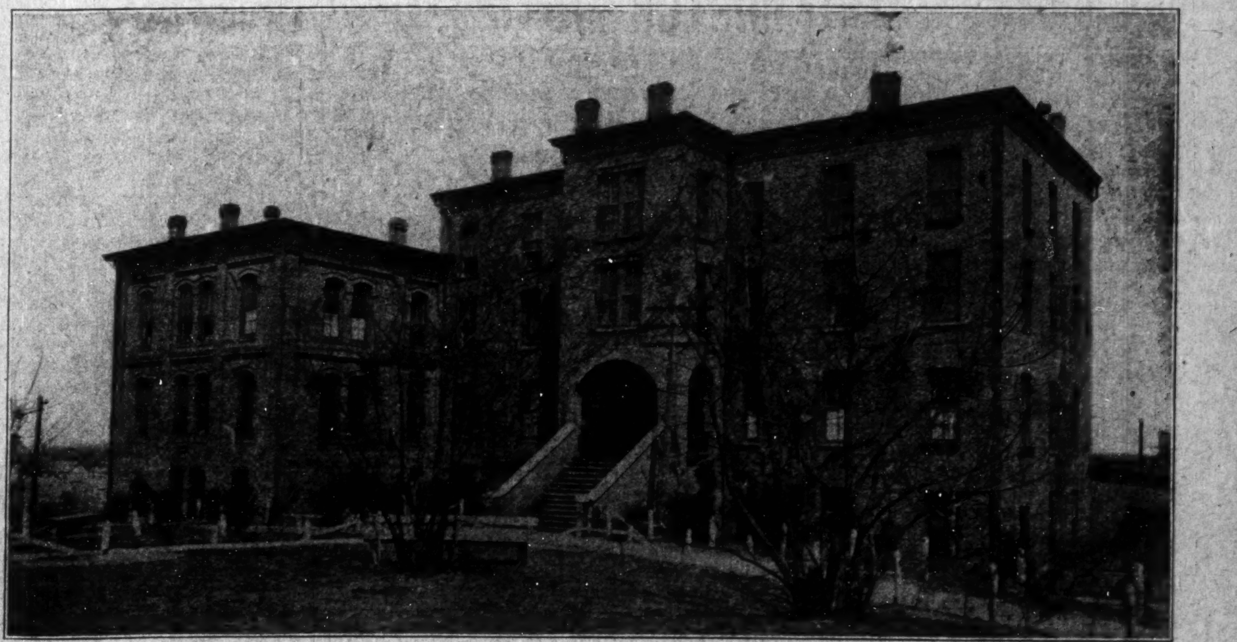
Mr. Carver and Mr. Attwell have a full staff of valuable assistants. These assistants are from the largest and most important schools of the country, and number eight, a total for the department of ten persons. At this time negotiations are pending with graduates of the Agricultural Department of Cornell University and the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst. If secured, these men will add much to the value and importance of the work.

The instruction at Tuskegee is free. Young men who are anxious to secure an education and who are willing to support themselves are afforded every opportunity to work out all of their expenses. No field of labor offers to the young Negro, if properly trained, surer rewards than that of agriculture. White men, North and South, are turning their attention more and more to scientific agriculture, and it well behooves the Negro to be stirring himself if he would not be excluded from the larger rewards of farming.

Some time ago the German government applied for three Tuskegee graduates to go to the west coast of Africa to introduce cotton raising. The school had the men and they were offered and are now receiving $100 a month and all expenses paid, including transportation to Africa and return. An application for a man to fill a $2,500 place was recently received at the school. Young men who have already completed their literary education can find at Tuskegee the opportunity for advanced training along agricultural lines. No graduate from this department is without employment; the demand for them to establish agricultural training at other institutions, and to serve as superintendents of dairies and large and important plantation interests, is hard to supply.

CLASS IN COOKING, TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE.

A CLASS IN PRACTICAL ARITHMETIC, TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE.



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OUR CHRISTMAS WOULD BE MERRIER

If Trotter and Forbes would never "make up."

If the Boston markets should banish red pepper.

If W. D. Johnson's daily would show up in Louisville.

If the "He-awatha" fiends would take to the pines.

If Cupid should pay Charles H. Baughman a visit.

If our people would learn to think more and talk less.

If the Southern lily-whites were "snowed under" for good.

If the negro would recognize the value of land ownership.

If the average preacher would cut his sermon down one-half.

If the Administration would take care of a few good Indiana men.

If the Democratic national convention shold be set for Indianapolis.

If we would all live within our means and pay what we justly owe.

If W. Allison Sweeney's "American Black Man" would appear in our midst.

If Henry Y. Arnett is eventually made president of Wilberforce University.

If Dr. Grimke should be called upon to address the Personal Liberty League.

If more negro towns like Tuskegee, Mound Bayou and Whitesboro were built up.

If wedding bells would ring oftener, with our lady teachers in the roles of brides-elect.

If Emory College would follow the liberal policy of Trinity and reinstate Prof. Sledd.

If a few colored cadets could scale the West Point and Annapolis walls of prejudice.

If W. A. Gaines could be given a something-equally-as-good official diet in Kentucky.

If Mayor Holtzman would set his foot down hard on the bungaloos while they are tame.

If paying positions for educated negroes were as freely dispensed as the education itself.

If Dr. F. J. Grimke would abandon the "martyr" business as "stale, flat, and unprofitable.

If Joseph H. Douglas and Frank Fowler Brown would "double-up" for a tour of the South.

If we felt sure that our constitution and purse would stand all our next year's conventions.

If Prof. W. H. Richards should become dean of the Law department of Howard University.

If Proprietor Frank G. Manly would take to reading his own paper, the Washington *Record*.

If W. H. Fielding would prepare for the rectorship of St. Philip's P. E. church in this city.

If the Afro-American Council would give National Organizer (?) James H. Hayes his passports.

If colored business men would consider advertising as necessary as provision for their rent.

If Dr. W. A. Burney would start a negro city when he returns to his San Diego (Cal.) home.

If the Kentucky Legislature will keep too busy to "monkey" with the suffrage question this year.

If Hon. George H. White and Bishop Alexander Watters would meet with "glad hands" extended.

If a liberally hotel training school could be inaugurated at Tuskegee, with W. Forest Cozart in charge.

If some people who hanker after Latin and Greek would secure a full-nelson on the English language.

If our churches and entertainments would begin o ntime, and thus encourage the people to come earlier.

If the United States Senate's Republican majority would immediately confirm the nomination of Dr. Crum.

If educated colored young men who can not secure Government jobs would work on the next best thing in reach.

If Private Secretary Emmett J. Scott would "try himself out" upon the lecture platform during this dull season.

If Dr. Sumner A. Furniss would fix things so that those quiet trips to Louisville would no longer be necessary.

If G. W. Coole could get his single-tax arguments on straight, despite the crushing defeat of Tomjohnsonism in Ohio.

If Prof. L. M. Hershaw would enroll his name among the progressive advocates of the intellectual-industrial alliance.

If our ministers would exercise as much sound judgment in secular affairs, as they usually do in matters spiritual.

If the critics of Tuskegee would construct something half as promotive of negro progress in culture, character, and cash.

If Prof. W. E. B. Du Bois would life "the veil" and stand out for more solid achievement and less unavailing complaint.

If the antagonists of Tuskegee Institute would remember that Tuskegee is not the only industrial school on the map.

If stellar artists like Joseph H. Douglass, Henrietta Winton Davis, Clarence Cameron Whyte, E. Azalia Hackley, and others, were given a larger measure of substantial appreciation.

If Jim Jeffries would strengthen his chicken heart sufficiently to risk a twenty-round "go" with Jack Johnson or Sam McVey.

If Orator Phil Waters, of West Virginia, would really enter the ministry.

If W. Calvin Chase would reconnect with the band wagon.

If Harry C. Smith, composer of "Be True, Bright Eyes," would add a "Colored American March" to his repertoire of original works.

If our idle negro population could be put to work on the Panama canal.

If only true-blue Roosevelt men should be placed on guard.

If Southerners who wish to find homes in the North would avoid the large cities and settle in the smaller towns and rural districts.

Ifin the Temple of Journalistic Fame the statue of George L. Knox is finaked by those of William R. Hearst and Joseph Pulitzer.

If our men would scrupulously beware of even a suspicion of having anything to do with the crime said to be most provocative of lynch law.

If the negro Democrats would give their party managers to understand that they can not stomach Arthur Pue Gorman under any consideration.

If Dr. Grimke would learn that intemperance is not confined wholly to drinking—there is an intemperance of speech that is extremely unfortunate.

If the Protestant Episcopal and the M. E. churches would choose Revs. O. M. Waller and J. W. E. Bowen as bishops of their respective denominations.

If E. P. Masterson, Louisville's popular tailor, could find the thief who stole his fine clothes and made his Thanksgiving a thankless Thursday.

If Robert T. Lincoln could invoke the spirit of his sainted father long enough to rescind the order drawing the color line in Pullman sleeping cars.

If every community could have its Y. M. C. A. and Mother's Meetings to stir the spiritual man and turn woman's charitable instincts to good account.

If full justice is done the memory of that excellent woman, Mrs. Frederick Douglass, whatever may be the popular opinion of inter-racial marriages.

If many other cities in the Union had an orderly, elegantly-furnished, and richly-stocked gentlemen's resort like the Metropole Club at Washington.

If Indianapolis could be permitted to entertain one thousand delegates and visitors to the August convention of the National Negro Business League.

If Bishop Hood, Dr. J. W. Smith, Rev. E. D. W. Jones and Dr. W. H. Goler would meet on some convenient neutral ground and—debate it out at close range.

If our "swells" could understand that it is no disgrace to be seen in the gallery of a first-class theater and that they could go twice for what one admission now costs them.

If C. C. Curtis, of banquet fame in Washington, would migrate to the Great West and manage a few complimentary dinners, just to show the natives how it was done.

If Editor J. W. Cromwell would abandon his Jay Albert Johnson foundling and take up a bishopric boom of legitimate quality—one that has a least a ghost of a show of success.

If Prof. Kelly Miller would see to it that every man, woman, and child is given an opportunity to hear his famous lecture: "The Georgraphical Distribution of the Negro Population in the United States."

If Gordon Macdonald, of Montgomery, Ala., would stay in the hole where Booker T. Washington so effectually placed him when the latter completely disproved the Macdonald slanders against Tuskeegee's students.

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BY THE EMINENT BISHOP DERRICK WHO, IN HIS MASTERLY MANNER

ADDRESSED A LARGE AUDIEHCE

Of the "Hub City's" Most Cultured and Refined Citicens at Old St. Charles Church—A Praiseworthy Tribute to a Worthy Man.

Boston may be the Hub of the Universe of letters and of art, but it is not the Hub of the A. M. E. Church; rather, it is as isolated from the stirring centers of thought, activity and personal contact as Patmos. Since July the Rev. S. T. Tice is the only African Methodist of connectional type who has crossed the line.

There are about twelve thousand colored people in Boston. There are six Baptist Churches, one Congregationalist, one A. M. E. Z., and Charles Street A. M. E. Church in Boston proper. With the exception of Charles Street Church, the colored churches are located in the various quarters where the colored citizens are settled. The Charles Street Church is at the border of the Common and the Public Garden, a stone's throw from the Boston Theological Seminary, a few minutes' walk from the Statehouse—indeed, right in the very center of the historic and aristocratic part of old Boston. In its steeple is a clock maintained by the city. On all public occasions the bell in Charles Street Church is sounded by the sexton, who is paid by the city. There is no citizen of Boston who knows Boston but who knows Charles Street Church. It stands as an enduring reminder of what our connection owes Hunter and Jennifer. Rather, it stands as an enduring reminder of the ingratitude that so often rewards noble and great service. The membership is now about six hundred. The property is estimated to be worth about one hundred thousand dollars. There are very few colored people who live within walking distance of the church, while all of the other churches are right at the door of the people. The majority of those who attend Charles Street Church have to pay car fare. The mortgage indebtedness of the church is nine thousand five hundred dollars. It was increased one thousand dollars last year in order to obtain money to cancel floating debts.

Unlike old Quinn Chapel at Chicago, Bethel at New York and other churches left stranded in neighborhoods deserted by our people, Charles Street Church is not in the slums, but in the best part of historic Boston and convenient to the cars and delightful of situation. We may plant one, two or more new churches farther up town, but we should always hold this spot. It is the aristocratic center and commands the respect of all citizens.

One of the unwritten laws is that there must be no shouting or unseemly conduct at Charles Street. Everything must be up to date. At least that is what the people have been asking and wanting. Their wishes are not entirely consistent with the best welfare of the race or of the church, but they are deserving of respectful consideration. The ideal of what the people want was attained in the days of Dr. Jennifer, and has been cherished with a most heroic steadfastness ever since.

I have long since learned that the dreams of the academy are not to be taken as the rules for practical life, but that in practical life conditions must be met and dealt with; but I also have learned that, no difference what the conditions, there are certain great truths and great principles that are to be held sacred and before which everything must give way.

I have found that beneath the outward seeming the heart of Charles Street Church beats warm and true to the highest African Methodism. No people ever gave me a welcome more sincere and support more earnest and loyal, and I have been put on my mettle. The years since Dr. Jennifer made this the forum where appeared characters of national distinction have wrought many changes, but the ideal so long a dream is fast becoming a reality again. We are expecting to have on our platform as speakers men and women whose names are household words in America. We have them already in our pews.

Through a train of circumstances of which I will later speak in detail, the parsonage is the famous "Rockledge," which was the home of William Lloyd Garrison during the last years of his life, and subsequently the home of one of his sons. The house is a roomy, substantial and commodious edifice, perched upon the summit of a great ledge of rocks, that on one side rise in a mighty cliff, from which tower great oaks. The only point higher than this ledge is Roxbury High Fort, three hundred feet away, and from which the Patriots fired upon the British intrenched upon the Common during the battle of Bunker Hill. A block from the Charles Street Church parsonage is the residence of Dr. Edward Everett Hale, while just across from the parsonage is the home of one of the descendants of Israel Putnam, and all around are historic reminders of old Roxbury days.

Bishop Derrick arrived at three o'clock Saturday, November 14. He had wired that he would leave New York at ten o'clock a. m., which, according to the time table, would make him due at 4:26, but he had taken the Colonial Limited, and was an hour sooner than expected. When the train which I met disgorged its passengers and I did not find him among them, I turned with disappointment away, but hastened home, feeling sure that he would be on hand anyhow. Sure enough, he was. I found that he was up at Roxbury Fort with Helen, my little four-year-old daughter, who had taken the great Bishop by the hand and was showing him some of the sights of which she had heard so much talk. Carlo, the great St. Bernard, and Dash, the Siberian hound, were meekly following at the heels of Helen.

I can not describe the pleasure that was mine to have a whole evening to talk with the Bishop. Boston was his landing place when he came to America. From this port he sailed as a sailor before the mast, to return thirty years later a Bishop.

A large congregation greeted him at the church for morning services. The sermon was one that will tell in the character and destiny of many lives. Bishop Derrick is a man of far greater parts than the connection knows. He has peculiarities, as have the Matterhorn or Niagara. But whatever his greatness, I found him holding the hand of my baby girl and listening to her prattle. The race and the church is blessed far beyond what is generally appreciated by the kindness of Providence which has given to us such a man. God has given to Bishop Derrick the peculiar mark of honor to be hated and execrated by the bad men and to be honored and esteemed by the good.

Instead of preaching at night, the Bishop delivered an address to the great congregation which filled the nave and overflowed into the galleries. The gathering was made up of people from all churches and races. The force of the address is best shown by saying that at the close the Bishop was besieged at the altar by hundreds.

New York, New England, are parts in which Bishop Derrick is king. Pastors, people, communities, esteem and honor him. Governors, Mayors and public men hold him in reverence.

When I think of the contemptuous words of The Monitor concerning this great and good man I blush to remember that it dares to assert a claim to relationship with our connection.

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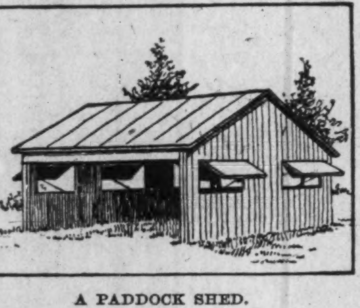
SHELTER FOR ANIMALS.

A Convenient Shed For the Pasture or the Paddock.

Where cattle or other animals are kept in a pasture both day and night there should be some protection provided against rain storms and heavy showers. A shed well adapted to this purpose is shown in the accompanying illustration, says a Country Gentleman correspondent. It is low and has one side open. This open side should face the quarter from which cold rains are least likely to come, the direction varying in different parts of the country.



A PADDOCK SHED.

No floor is required, thus saving much lumber. The numerous windows are provided with drop shutters to be kept open as shown, thus affording free entrance to air, but keeping out rain. If such a building were located near the other farm buildings it would make an admirable winter shed for sheep, the windows being closed, or a winter storage place for farm machinery, the front being closed in with lapped boarding.

When such a building is located in the pasture the cattle can be taught to come to it at night by giving an occasional feed of grain there. In this way they will have immediate shelter if a sudden shower occurs in the night. Moreover, much manure will thus be saved, which can be drawn away to the fields or piled up, rotted and spread evenly over the pasture land. As the manure is dropped by cattle in the pasture it is of but little benefit to the soil, as it is all in one spot, killing the grass and rendering unpalatable to cattle the rank grass that grows about its edges for several years thereafter. Sheep enrich the land they feed upon, but the manure dropped by cattle in a pasture is very largely wasted.

HARVESTING WHEAT.

Modern Methods of Handling the Crop In Various Regions.

A number of Orange Judd Farmer correspondents describe their practice in harvesting wheat as follows:

Wheat harvesting begins here about July 4 for fall wheat and a week or ten days later for spring. The harvesting is done with binders of several different makes. Most of our binders are equipped with bundle carriers, which carry the sheaves and drop them all at once. Each time the binder goes around the field it drops the bundles opposite the last heap, thus making shocking comparatively easy. Shocking usually begins as soon as the binder has made three or four rounds of the field. Twelve sheaves are used for a small shock and sixteen for an average one. Some put as high as twenty in one shock; but, of course, much depends on the size of the sheaves. Two sheaves are used as cap sheaves. They are broken through the middle, spread out like a fan and placed on top of the shock to keep out the rain.

About one-half the grain is thrashed direct from the shock, but many of our best farmers stack as soon as possible. If rain comes while the grain is still in the shock it causes serious loss. Most men consider it the safest plan to stack. Besides, fewer men and teams are needed at thrashing time if the grain is stacked, and this is an important item when help is as scarce as it is this season. Wheat begins to leave for market as soon as thrashed and keeps going, as the farmer has the time to haul it, until all is sold. Some of it is not marketed until spring. A few hold for better prices, but most of them sell as early as possible. Turkey Red seems to be the favorite winter wheat in this section, while Minnesota Blue Stem seems to be the popular spring wheat.—Mrs. C. M. Clark, Montgomery County, Ia.

How It Is Done In Missouri.

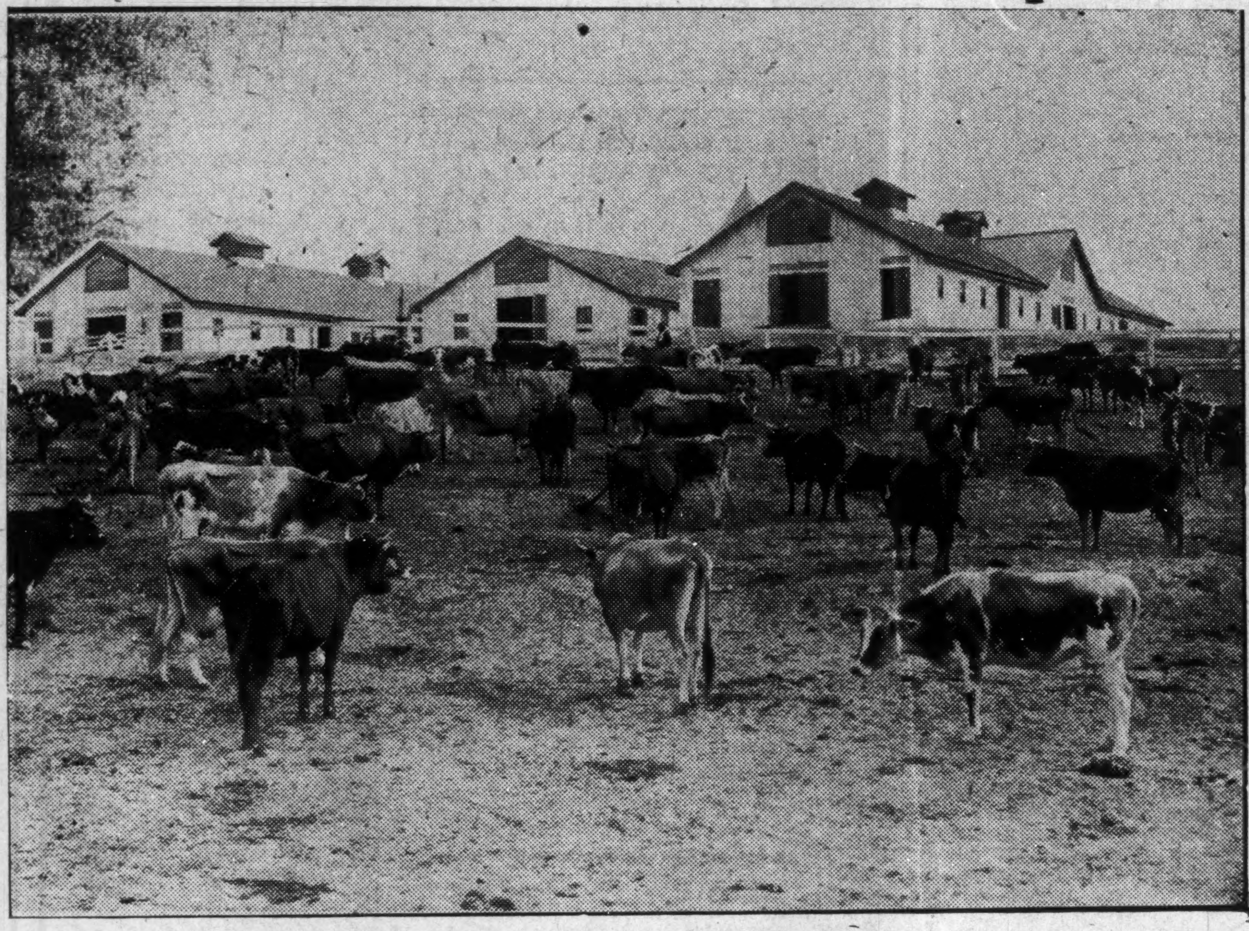
All of our wheat is cut with a binder and about fifteen bundles placed in each shock. The shocks are allowed to stand for about ten days, when, if the weather is favorable, it is stacked. If it be thrashed from the shock, it is allowed to stand somewhat longer. This latter practice is quite common in this section. Ordinarily few stack their wheat, as good stackers are hard to find. At least one-third of the wheat is sold direct from the machine. Fultz has been the favorite variety with our farmers, while Fulco Mediterranean and Canada Club, with several other varieties, are grown in a limited way. —J. J. Suter, Marion County, Mo.

Haying Tools.

"The scarcity of hand labor on the farms of the middle west has hastened the adoption of the most improved methods in handling the large fields of hay and grain," says an Illinois farmer in Rural New Yorker. "The farmer with large acreage uses mowers with cutter bars six, seven and sometimes eight feet in length, changing the sickle for a sharp one three and four times each day. On this machine he uses a team weighing from 2,400 to 3,000 pounds. Following the mower he uses a side delivery hayrake, which throws the hay into windrows. With the side delivery rake he may travel around an entire field or cut it into lands, according to the size and shape of the inclosure.

"The hay loader is then attached to the wagon, and the driver, generally a boy, covers the windrow in driving, and the hay is delivered from the loader in the rear to the load, where a man places it evenly over the rack. When loaded the hay loader is detached and used on the next wagon. As the wagon passes over the windrow and collects the hay the side delivery rake again passes, throwing toward the center, when another windrow is formed, and this repeated until the entire field is cleared.

"The hay fork is used at the barns in connection with the track carrier system. This allows the farmer to harvest large fields of hay with a small force. This is the method used when the farmer does not stack his hay in the fields. Where the large fields of alfalfa are harvested and stacked the same method is practiced, except the use of the hay loader and the wagon, in place of which a large sweep, with one horse at each end, is used and loaded from the windrow. It is driven toward the stack, deposited on a dump and thence to the stack."



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HOME CHEESE MAKING.

Simple Methods and Appliances For the Farm Household.

Utensils For Cheese Making.—A good vat—one that can be kept clean and sweet and large enough to hold whatever milk is to be used at one time. A press for the product of from five to eight cows; a simple lever, with weights. Accompanying the press must be hoops; a good size is ten inches in diameter and eight inches deep, made of heavy tin, edges strong and no top or bottom. A drainer or vessel with perforated bottom in which the curd is drained; a large basket will do lined with strainer cloth. A dozen cloths a yard square. A thermometer. A curd knife or knives; these come in pairs, one to cut horizontally and one vertically; but a long, slim knife will do or a strong piece of galvanized wire netting or even a strong strip of tin. A suitable room for curing, with a few smooth, wide shelves on which to cure the cheese.

Rennet.—Use about one tablespoonful of rennet extract for three gallons of milk. If the curd is over one-half an hour in coming increase the quantity of rennet; if less decrease it. Rennet tablets may be used.

Preparation of the Curd.—Warm the milk to 85 degrees F., add the rennet and mix thoroughly, then cover and let stand at this temperature for about half an hour, or until the curd will break, leaving the whey clear. Then cut each way, leaving it in columns about an inch square. Now let it stand until the whey rises an inch on top of the curd, then warm the whole gradually, taking two or three hours to reach 98 degrees F., lifting and stirring and breaking it gently with the hand all the time until the pieces are about the size of grains of corn. Be very careful not to crush the curd, as that will cause the cream or fat to escape with the whey. Then let it stand at this temperature, stirring it occasionally to keep from packing, until the curd is so firm that when squeezed gently in the hand and the hand opened it will separate into particles again. The whey should have a slightly acid taste. Then dip the curd into a basket lined with cloth to cool and drain.

Salt.—Salt the curd after it is drained, using four ounces of salt to ten pounds of curd, mixed in carefully, but thoroughly; or salt by brine bath or rubbing after pressing.

Pressure.—The pressure must be gentle at first or the milk fat will run out, thus leaving a poor cheese. Increase the pressure gradually, and in a few hours take the cheese out, turn it, rearrange the bandage and press as before.

Curing.—This is a very important part of cheese making. The room for curing (and it may be in a basement or cellar if the conditions are right) should be first of all capable of being kept at an even and medium temperature. From 50 to 60 degrees F. is now regarded as the best for domestic purposes, although the time in curing may be somewhat lengthened thereby. The cooler the room the slower the curing. If the room at any time gets much warmer than 65 degrees even for a short period the cheese is likely to be permanently injured. The room should be fairly dry, but not too dry, and, while being well ventilated, should be free from currents of air. If too dry or subjected to dry currents the cheese will lose weight and be apt to crack. Great care must be taken to keep out all flies. The bandage should be greased and rubbed and the cheese turned over on the shelf every day or two for a month; later this need be done only once or twice a week. If the cheese should crack paste strips of cheese cloth or stout paper over the openings. —Henry E. Alvord.

CELERY GROWING.

Twice Transplanted Plants—Setting In Rows or Beds.

In case the grower adopts the plan of transplanting celery twice, the seedlings will be ready for the first handling in four to six weeks from the time the seed is sown. The seedlings may be transplanted to trays or to beds in the open ground. This transplanting answers two purposes:

First.—The seedling plant of celery has a straight root or taproot, which is broken in transplanting, causing a large mass of fibrous roots to be formed. In the case of a plant allowed to remain in the seed bed until planting out time this taproot has gone far down into the soil and the plant has formed very few side roots. Consequently it suffers a great shock in the process of planting in the field, and a large number of plants will need to be replaced.

Second.—When transplanting twice is practiced there is no necessity for thinning, and a more uniform lot of plants is obtained. Two handlings cannot be recommended on a large scale, as the cost of labor is too great. It is better to have a surplus of plants and renew those that fail.

For domestic use where plenty of land is available it will be found most economical to plant in single rows four, five or six feet apart, with the plants six or seven inches apart in the row. If the space is limited solid beds about five inches wide will be found suitable, with the plants set seven inches apart each way. By planting in rows the crop may be worked with a horse cultivator or a wheel hoe and the banking more easily done, and thus the cost of production is cut down. With the solid bed system the work must all be done by hand.—W. R. Beattie.

CO-OPERATIVE EFFORTS.

Remarkable Development of Farmers' Organizations In Italy.

One of the remarkable developments which in several countries have marked the last few years and one which is having very wide reaching effects is the growth of co-operative effort on the part of agriculturists. Of this Mr. Edward Brown of Italy has the following to say in Country Gentleman:

The pioneer in this direction to a large extent has been Denmark, and it is not too much to say that the wonderful developments in that little country within the later years of the nineteenth century have been in great measure owing to the combined efforts for specific purposes of its population. The example is being followed elsewhere—in France, in Hungary, in Germany and in Ireland. Co-operation, however, under these circumstances is distinctly different from what is usually regarded as the co-operative movement in Great Britain, as the latter owes its origin and its success to the combination of consumers. In Denmark and the other countries named combined effort on the part of agriculturists is not for production or consumption, but primarily for the purchase of what they may require in the conduct of their industry and in some cases for the disposal of their produce. I was pleased to have the opportunity of meeting at Piacenza Dr. Raineri, the director of the Federation of Italian Agricultural Societies, and Dr. Bathe, the technical secretary of the federation. Piacenza is a small town in the northern part of Emilia, and from it is directed the control of what is becoming a great business.

Farmers' Syndicates In Italy.

The central organization combines under its federation something like 300 farmers' syndicates, which are scattered all over Italy, but especially in the north. There are, however, a number of these syndicates in the south. They have sprung up to some extent from local effort. The depression in agriculture which a few years ago passed over the whole of Europe roused the most enterprising and progressive farmers to efforts on their own behalf.

The main idea with which the syndicates were established was in the purchasing of fertilizers and appliances. In order to obtain the best results it was necessary that purchases should be made upon a large scale, and hence the formation of the federation, which acts practically as the buyer for all the local societies thus combined together. Last year the trade amounted to nearly $1,000,000. This trade, however, was more especially in purchasing, and very little has been done up to the present in the sale of produce. Dr. Raineri states, and this is confirmed by the evidence obtainable in other directions, that those districts where the co-operative movement has taken firmest root have shown most progress and have recovered most rapidly from the depression in agriculture.

Technical Education.

The federation, however, has by no means limited its efforts to trading, but has been the disseminator of a vast mass of information throughout the country and has led the way in technical instruction. There has been adopted by the government a system of spreading knowledge among the rural population which is said by Mr. Bolton King, who has given considerable attention to Italian developments, to be the most practical form of agricultural education known in Europe. The instructors travel from village to village and adapt their teaching not only to the requirements of each locality, but also to the adaptability and intelligence of the population. They control experimental plats and hold themselves in readiness to give, either by letter or by personal assistance, information to those who are seeking such knowledge. Not only so, but they advise as to the kind of manure which is most suited to the farmer's requirements and keep in such close touch with the syndicates that they may be regarded to some extent as traveling advertisements for the federation and its local branches.

Feeding Value of Rape.

Rape has a high feeding value. It makes an excellent feed for fattening sheep and swine and for producing an abundant flow of milk in milk cows. On account of danger of tainting the milk many people do not feed it to the cows until after milking. Rape can be used to good advantage as a part of the ration for animals that are being fed in pens for market or for the show ring. It is also a valuable food for young lambs at weaning time. By beginning as early as practicable in the spring and seeding at intervals of two or three weeks a continuous succession of rape can be produced throughout the period when the permanent pastures are most likely to be short.

One Thing and Another.

Wisconsin experiment station authorities believe that few crops grown in that state will pay better through a series of years than sugar beets.

From wheat tests at the Nebraska experiment station it is concluded that durum or macaroni wheats yield better than other spring wheats and that Algerian sorts are superior to the Russian.

A German authority finds that sugar beets with the relatively highest weight of leaves were richest in sugar.

Best results were obtained when Turkestan alfalfa was seeded with oats at the Wisconsin experiment station.

About June 11 at the Minnesota experiment station last season, after the alfalfa plants began to blossom, part of the leaves began to turn yellow and to fall; hence the largest proportion of leaves to stems existed just before the blossoming period.

Disk and Moldboard.

I am not yet ready to recommend any disk plow as preferable to the best moldboard plow for general use on North Dakota farms. If you have a very hard, gummy soil in which it is almost impossible to keep the required depth with the moldboard plow the disk plow may be used very advantageously. Every large farm in North Dakota might profitably use one or more disk plows, but it would not be practicable at the present time to wholly replace the moldboard plow by the disk plow upon any farm in North Dakota.—Professor Ten Eyck.

The Little Calves In Hot Weather.

During the hot weather little calves should have access to shady quarters, but this does not mean that they should be obliged to remain during the day in hot, stuffy places. A roof to protect them from the sunshine is often sufficient, because in such places the air circulates freely and they are also healthful.—Exchange

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CHAPTER I.

—Emma, the Girl.—

"'Twas the night before Christmas," in H—, Ky., a thrifty Southern town, with a large colored population, in 1884, that little ten-year-old Emma Capps sat in the rear doorway of her father's neat little cottage, picking a turkey for the Christmas feast. Little Emma was very happy, because, besides the old-fashioned Kentucky Christmas dinner, there was to be at night a birthday party, with music and dancing, as that Christmas was her tenth birthday. A distinguished Negro educator and philanthropist (now dead) used to say that people classed by the white Americans as colored had ten times the shades of the rainbow. Little Emma was one of the tints of that rainbow. She was light brown in complexion, with bright brown eyes and straight black Indian-like hair, and a mouth full of pearls. Her father was the leading carpenter and builder of the town, and "they say" that he was worth $10,000 and the second richest man in H—. Her mother, besides being a thrifty little housewife, had learned from her father, who was, in his time, a great herb and root doctor, the art of making several salves and herb teas, the healing power of which had more than a local fame.

Their little daughter was their only child, their joy and their hope, and they did everything in their power to have her grow up a refined, educated, useful young woman.

The Christmas dinner—a family reunion—was over; the shades of night covered the town, and a merry lot of little folk enjoyed the birthday party until called for by their parents at gray dawn. One of the last to leave little Emma's birthday party was a boy two years her senior, in the person of Charles Sumner Brown. "Summie," as he was called (as the town was full of Charleses and Charlies), had been a playmate of Emma's since infancy. Had they been five years older we would call them lovers—"Paul and Virginia," in light brown and black. At last his mother took him home, and the party, like the bright Christmas day, was a thing of the past.

Five years passed, during which time both, as classmates, graduated from the village colored high school as first and second in their class. They were young lovers now—she a refined young lady, he an ambitious youth. He went to New York to seek fame and fortune, after the usual romantic parting of lovers to be found only in song and story.

CHAPTER II.

—Emma, the Maiden.—

Emma Capps received for several months three letters a week from her devoted sweetheart and prospective husband, and then she received two, then one, and then—none, for months. Still, like all leading females in song or story (but not in real life), she was true to him.

She was an industrious, refined, simple country maid, happy and content with her lot, since she had schooled herself to forget Charles Sumner Brown, and think of him in only two lights, that he was either dead or untrue—in either case, he was dead to her.

Charles Sumner Brown, when he got to New York City, found out that, from a black man's viewpoint, it was not as bright as it was painted, but still a thousand times brighter to the progressive Negro youth than the so-called "New South." He learned the barber trade, opened a swell barber shop, with three workmen, made lots of money, became a sport, "played the ponies," drove fast horses, and was devoted to women and wine.

CHAPTER III.

—Emma, the Woman.—

"'Twas the night before Christmas," 1896, that Charles Sumner Brown "startled the villagers with strange alarm" when he got off the train at H—, Ky., with a cartload of trunks. He was dressed in the latest New York style, wore eyeglasses and a gold watch. He hired a "hack" and was driven to the only colored boarding house in town, which bore the name of the Lincoln Hotel. In an hour or so it was known all over town that Charles Sumner Brown had returned to his birthplace, and hundreds of his old friends called to see him. Dressed in his Sunday best, he called upon Emma, who received him politely, but coldly. He gave as his reason for not writing "a press of business." He spent the evening with her, and when church bells and guns announced the birth of Christmas he held her hand as of yore; he told her that he had the same love for her as during his youthhood; he asked her to be his wife, and, if needful, fly with him to New York City. Emma was only a woman, and we will say between the lines that women are strong when they should be weak, and weak when they should be strong. Charles Sumner Brown had no love for the sweetheart of his youth, but—he had a lust for her innocent beauty and knew that honorable (or seemingly honorable) marriage was the only outlet for his passion.

He proposed immediate marriage, and she accepted, with the knowledge of her parents, and was driven to the house of a strange man, who married them. When she told her father of the steps she had taken, the old man, who had long since lost all confidence in Brown, told her that she had made her bed and must sleep in it. A few days after New Year's, Brown returned to New York City with his wife, and boarded her in a fashionable boarding house on West Fifty-third street. He told her that his business was "down-town," but did not tell her where or what. He spent most of his idle time in her company for the first six months, even going so far as to take her to Brooklyn churches several times. Then his supposed love grew cold, and some weeks she saw nothing of him. As he always told her he was "out of town on business," she believed him, but the boarding house mistress, who was an old lady of experience, did not. She made a startling discovery on one of her detective trips—that Brown had been married before; that his wife left him for just reasons; that he kept two establishments (or homes); that his "place of business" was not down-town, but up-town in the section known as "High Bridge," among the Negro population on West 134th street; that his "business" consisted of a swell barber parlor, a gambling room in the rear and a "ladies' boarding house" upon the three upper floors. She conveyed all of this information to Emma, who, in company with Mrs. Brink (the boarding-house keeper), started out to verify the report. She found out that all, and far more, that Mrs. Brink had told her was the truth. When she met Charles Sumner Brown she told him all she knew. He laughed at her and told her that she had "better leave well enough alone," as their marriage was a "fake" one, as the man who "married" them was not a minister, but a chum of his, brought from New York for the occasion.

At this information Emma went into hysterics and threw a bay rum bottle at him, which struck him in the forehead, cutting it open. He rushed from the house, not that he was not coward enough to knock her down and beat her lifeless, but that he was too much of a coward to face Mrs. Brink.

Emma for months took care of herself by working in a tailor shop, in which she was the only colored woman. Then the work got dull and she was "laid off;" then Mrs. Brink broke up and went to Philadelphia, and—then Emma saw the wolf at her door, and—then she fell.

CHAPTER IV.

—Emma, the Unfortunate.—

"'Twas the night before Christmas," 1901, that a group of women of the street, of the lowest class, were in the back room of a low saloon in Bleeker street, New York City. The night was damp and cold, the hour was late. One of those waves of reform that now and then sweep over the great city had washed it clean (?). Women of the street had been driven from their homes; the better class had located in flats occupied by respectable people; the lower class slept in hallways. Emma, at this time, was a member of the lower class of women of the street.

"Come, girls, youse must git out; it's time ter close up," said the bartender at ten o'clock, and the poor wretches were driven out in the cold.

Emma, the unfortunate, had lost everything—lost her beauty, lost her pride, lost her honor, lost her health, lost—yes—even her hope for a better hereafter. She plod the streets of the great city as in a sad dream. To ask aid from a man might lead to arrest and six months on Blackwell's Island; to ask alms of a woman would be a silent look of contempt.

"I'll ask this colored man coming up the street; he is apt to have more feeling for a poor devil, if not more money than a white man."

The man met her. "Merry Christmas to you, sir. I hope you will have a good time to-morrow. Please give me a quarter to get a night's lodging?"

Without looking into her face, the man put his hand into his pocket and pulled out a half dollar. As he handed it to her their eyes met.

"Heavens! As I live, it's Emma Capps! Why, Emma, what brought you down to this condition?" He was Charles Sykes, an old lover she had jilted in the long, long ago.

"The old, old story," she replied; "a trusting woman, a false man, the wolf at the door and the temptations of a great city—that's all." She said no more, but took the half dollar, went to the nearest restaurant, where she had a beef stew, her first meal in twenty-four hours.

She was herself again. Stirred to life, she reviewed her life on the eve of her birthday. "Too late to reform," she said. "In a few hours it will be my birthday. I will end my life on the day it begins." She tried at several drug stores to get "Rough on Rats" and other poisons. Her face told the druggists at once to what use she was going to put them, and all refused to sell her any poison.

"I have it," she said to herself. "I'll get drunk with the quarter I have, but save three cents for boat fare and jump in the river.

The bells of Greater New York were ringing in Christmas morn; the streets were full of merry young folks blowing "fish horns," when a woman hurried down to the Jersey City ferry, paid her last three cents and got on the boat. When the boat was midstream she jumped overboard.

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The body of Emma Capps was identified by Charles Sykes, Christmas noon, at the morgue. He had it taken to her native Kentucky village, where it sleeps the sleep of rest. The gossips and sensational papers had lots to say about her. Let us reflect: She was more sinned against than sinning; then, she was in New York City. There is but one great city in the United States for weal or woe, good or bad (the bad in the lead), and that is Greater New York City.

(The End.)

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to the elevation and Christianization of their people. The students are required to do missionary work in the various churches and Sunday Schools near the institution. In this way they have been very helpful to the neighboring communities.

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Students and Graduates.—There have been twenty-six graduates from the Bible School. Some of these are actively engaged in ministerial work; others, with the ministry in view, are pursuing further studies in other institutions, while still others are teaching.

The total enrollment in the Bible School this year is fifty-three—fifty-two males and one female. Four are ordained ministers, twenty-one licentiates, and the remaining twenty-eight are laymen. These students come from ten States, the District of Columbia and the West Indies. Seven denominations are represented.

Houston, Tex., Waiters Write.

Headwaiter Brown and his corps of waiters are O. K., and say they will be at the Bristol for some days to come. Chas. Johnson, of Brenham, has joined the Barnett crew. John Tanner is still surrounded with his crew of seven, which have been together for eight months. Joseph Gibson says all hotel men should read The Freeman. Geo Williams and brother, James Young, were called home at Hempstead. to the bedside of their mother last Monday. Both are employes of the Burnett Hotel. William Burton. of Island City, is in the city The hotel men of this city would like to hear from William Dixon. Frank Clark is in the city. The Oriole restaurant is doing a good business, under the management of Henry Pratt. F. Jones is at the Dill.

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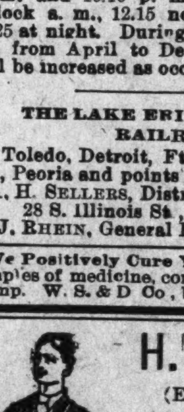

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No. 13014

Complaint Divorce,

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 8th day of Dec., 1903, the above named plaintiff, by her attorneys, filed in the office of the Clerk of the circuit court of Marion county, in the state of Indiana, her complaint against the above named defendant Ellsworth P. Shepherd and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Ellsworth P. Shepherd is not a resident of the state of Indiana and said cause is for divorce and that the above named defendant is a necessary party thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 4th day of February, 1904.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said Court said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against him and that unless he appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 4th day of February, 1904 the same being the 4th judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in February, 1904, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in his absence.

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